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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) He set a record by swimming to and from an island.
B) He celebrated his ninth birthday on a small island.
C) He visited a prison located on a faraway island.
D) He swam around an island near San Francisco.
2. A) He doubled the reward.
B) He cheered him on all the way.
C) He set him an example.
D) He had the event covered on TV.

Questions 3 to 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) To end the one-child policy.
B) To encourage late marriage.
C) To increase working efficiency.
D) To give people more time to travel.
4. A) They will not be welcomed by young people.
B) They will help to popularize early marriage.
C) They will boost China's economic growth.
D) They will not come into immediate effect.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) Cleaning service in great demand all over the world.
B) Two ladies giving up well-paid jobs to do cleaning.
C) A new company to clean up the mess after parties.
D) Cleaners gainfully employed at nights and weekends.
6. A) It takes a lot of time to prepare.
B) It leaves the house in a mess.

- C) It makes party goers exhausted.
- D) It creates noise and misconduct.
- 7. A) Hire an Australian lawyer.
- B) Visit the U.S. and Canada.
- C) Settle a legal dispute.
- D) Expand their business.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) He had a driving lesson.
- B) He got his driver's license.
- C) He took the driver's theory exam.
- D) He passed the driver's road test.
- 9. A) He was not well prepared.
- B) He did not get to the exam in time.
- C) He was not used to the test format.
- D) He did not follow the test procedure.
- 10. A) They are tough.
- B) They are costly.
- C) They are helpful.
- D) They are too short.
- 11. A) Pass his road test the first time.
- B) Test-drive a few times on highways.
- C) Find an experienced driving instructor.
- D) Earn enough money for driving lessons.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) Where the woman studies.
- B) The acceptance rate at Leeds.
- C) Leeds tuition for international students.
- D) How to apply for studies at a university.
- 13. A) Apply to an American university.
- B) Do research on higher education.

- C) Perform in a famous musical.
- D) Pursue postgraduate studies.
- 14. A) His favorable recommendations.
- B) His outstanding musical talent.
- C) His academic excellence.
- D) His unique experience.
- 15. A) Do a master's degree.
- B) Settle down in England.
- C) Travel widely.
- D) Teach overseas.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) They help farmers keep diseases in check.
- B) Many species remain unknown to scientists.
- C) Only a few species cause trouble to humans.
- D) They live in incredibly well-organized colonies.
- 17. A) They are larger than many other species.
- B) They can cause damage to people's homes.
- C) They can survive a long time without water.
- D) They like to form colonies in electrical units.
- 18. A) Deny them access to any food.
- B) Keep doors and windows shut.
- C) Destroy their colonies close by.
- D) Refrain from eating sugary food.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) The function of the human immune system.
- B) The cause of various auto-immune diseases.
- C) The viruses that may infect the human immune system.
- D) The change in people's immune system as they get older.
- 20. A) Report their illnesses.
- B) Offer blood samples.
- C) Act as research assistants.

- D) Help to interview patients.
- 21. A) Strengthening people's immunity to infection.
- B) Better understanding patients' immune system.
- C) Helping improve old people's health conditions.
- D) Further reducing old patients' medical expenses.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. A) His students had trouble getting on with each other.
- B) A lot of kids stayed at school to do their homework.
- C) His students were struggling to follow his lessons.
- D) A group of kids were playing chess after school.
- 23. A) Visit a chess team in Nashville.
- B) Join the school's chess team.
- C) Participate in a national chess competition.
- D) Receive training for a chess competition.
- 24. A) Most of them come from low-income families.
- B) Many have become national chess champions.
- C) A couple of them have got involved in crimes.
- D) Many became chess coaches after graduation.
- 25. A) Actions speak louder than words.
- B) Think twice before taking action.
- C) Translate their words into action.
- D) Take action before it gets too late.



News Report 1 □□□□□□□□

A 9-year-old Central California boy braved strong currents and cold water to swim from San Francisco to Alcatraz Island and back. A California television station in Fresno, reported Tuesday that Jim Savage, set a record as the youngest swimmer to make the journey to the former prison. The TV station reported that by completing the swim, the fourth-grade student from Los Banos broke a record previously held by a 10-year-old boy. Jim said that waves in the San Francisco Bay hitting him in the face 30 minutes into this swim, made him want to give up. His father said, he had offered his son 100 dollars as a reward. To encourage his struggling son, he doubled it to 200 dollars. James pushed forward, making it to Alcatraz Island and back in a little more than 2 hours. Alcatraz is over a mile from the mainland.

Questions 1 to 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

- 1. What did the boy from central California do according to the report?
- 2. What did the father do to encourage his son?

News Report 2 □□□□

On the first of January, new regulations were coming into effect which eliminated an annual leave bonus for people who put off marrying until the age of 23 for women and 25 for men, the South China morning post reports. The holiday bonus was designed to encourage young people to delay getting married in line with China's one-child policy. But with that policy now being abolished, this holiday incentive is no longer necessary, the government says. In Shanghai, the young couple at the marriage registration office told the paper that they decided to register their marriage as soon as possible to take advantage of the existing policy, because an extra holiday was a big deal for them. In Beijing, one registration office had about 300 couples seeking to get married the day after the changes were announced rather than the usual number of between 70 and 80. But one lawyer tells the paper that the changes still have to be adopted by local governments and these procedures take time. So people who are rushing to register for marriage can relax.

Question 3 to 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What was the purpose of the annual leave bonus in China?
4. What do we learn about the new regulations?

News Report 3 □□□□□□□□□□

Everyone loves a good house party, but the cleaning up the next morning isn't as enjoyable. Now, however, a New Zealand based startup company aims to bring messy homes and even splitting headaches back to normal. The properly named startup Morning After Maids was launched about a month ago in Auckland by room-maids Rebecca Folly and Catherine Asherst. Aside from cleaning up, the two will also cook breakfast and even get coffee and painkillers for recovering merrymakers. Although they are both gainfully employed, they fit cleaning jobs into their nights and weekends, which is when their service is in most demand anyway. Besides being flooded with request from across the country, Folly and Asherst have also received request from the U.S. and Canada to provide the services there. They are reportedly meeting with lawyers to see how best to take the business forward.

Question 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What is the news report mainly about?
6. What is a common problem with a house party?
7. What are Rebecca Folly and Catherine Asherst planning to do?

Conversation 1 □□□□

W: Kyle, how did your driver's theory exam go? It was yesterday, right?

M: Yes, I prepared as much as I could. But I was so nervous since it was my second try. The people who worked at the test center were very kind though. We had a little conversation, which calmed me down a bit, and that was just what I needed. Then, after the exam, they printed out my result. But I was

afraid to open it until I was outside. It was such a relief to pass.

W: Congratulations! I knew you could do it. I guess you underestimated how difficult it would be the first time, didn't you? I hear a lot of people make that mistake and go in underprepared., but good job in passing the second time. I'm so proud of you. Now, all you have to do next is your road test. Have you had any lessons yet?

M: Yes, thanks. I'm so happy to be actually on the road now. I've only had two driving lessons so far, and my instructor is very understanding. So, I'm really enjoying it and I can't wait for my next session. Although the lessons are rather expensive, 20 pounds an hour, and the instructor says I'll need above 30-40 lessons in total, that's what? 6-8 hundred pounds. So, this time, I'll need to make a lot more effort, and hopefully, will be successful the first time.

W: Well, good luck.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What did the man do yesterday?
9. Why did he fail the exam the first time?
10. What does the man say about his driving lessons?
11. What does the man hope to do next?

Conversation 2 □□□□□□

M: Emma, I got accepted to the University of Leeds. Since you're going to university in England, do you know how much it is for international students to study there?

W: Congratulations. Yes, I believe for international students, you'll have to pay around 13,000 pounds a year. It's just a bit more than the local students.

M: OK, so that's about 17,000 dollars for the tuition and fees. Anyway, I'm only going to be there for a year, doing my masters. So it's pretty good. If I stayed in the U.S., it'd take 2 years, and cost at least 50,000 dollars in tuition alone. Also, I have a good chance of winning a scholarship at Leeds, which would be pretty awesome, the benefit of being a music genius.

W: Yeah, I heard you are a talented piano player. So you are doing a post-graduate degree now? I'm still in my last year, graduating next June. Finally, I'll be done with my studies, and could go on to earning loads of money.

M: Are you still planning on being a teacher? No money in that job then.

W: You'd be surprised. I'm still going to be a teacher. But the plan is to work at an international school overseas after I get a year or so of experience in England. It's better pay, and I get to travel, which reminds me I'm late for my class, and I've got some documents I need to print out first. I've better run.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What does the man want to know?
13. What is the man going to do?
14. What might qualify the man for a scholarship at the Leeds university?
15. What is the woman planning to do after graduation?

Passage 1 □□□□□□□□

Scientists have identified thousands of known ants species around the world. And only a few of them bug humans. Most ants live in the woods, or out in nature. There, they keep other creatures in check, distribute seeds, and clean dead and decaying materials from the ground. A very small percentage of ants do harm to humans. But those are incredibly challenging to control. They are small enough to easily slip inside your house, live in colonies that number in the tens of thousands to the hundreds of thousands, and reproduce quickly. That makes them good at getting in, and hard to kick out. Once they settle in, these insects start affecting your home. In addition to biting ants, other species can cause different kinds of damage. Some, like carpenter ants, can undermine a home structure, while others interfere with electrical units. Unfortunately, our homes are very attractive to ants, because they provide everything the colony needs to survive, such as food, water, and shelter. So, how can we prevent ants from getting into our homes? Most important of all, avoid giving ants any access to food, particularly sugary food because ants have a sweet tooth. We also need to clean up spills as soon as they occur and store food in air-tight containers. Even garbage attracts ants, so empty your trash as often as possible. And store your outside garbage in a lidded can, well away from doors and windows.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What does the passage say about ants?
17. What do we learn from the passage about carpenter ants?
18. What can we do to prevent ants from getting into our homes?

Passage 2 □□□□□□□□

My research focus is on what happens to our immune system as we age. So the job of the immune system is to fight infections. It also protects us from viruses and from autoimmune diseases. We know that as we get older, it's easier for us to get infections. So older adults have more chances of falling ill. This is evidence that our immune system really doesn't function so well when we age. In most of our work, when we are looking at older adults who've got an illness, we always have to have health controls. So we work very closely with a great group of volunteers called the One Thousand Elders, these volunteers are all 65 or over but in good health. They come to the university to provide us with blood samples to be interviewed and to help us to carry out a whole range of research. The real impact of our research is going to be on health in old age. At the moment, we are living much longer, life expectancy is increasing at 2 years for every decade, that means an extra 5 hours a day. I want to make sure that older adults are still able to enjoy their old age, and that they are not spending time in hospital with infections, feeling unwell and being generally weak. We want people to be healthy even when they are old.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What is the focus of the speaker's research?
20. What are the volunteers asked to do in the research?
21. What does the speaker say will be the impact of his research?

Passage 3 □□□□□

When Ted Komada started teaching 14 years ago at Kilip Elementary, he didn't know how to manage a classroom and was struggling to connect with students. He noticed a couple of days after school that a group of kids would get together to play chess. "I know how to play chess, let me go and show these kids how to do it," he said. Now, Komada coaches the school's chess team. The whole program started as a safe place for kids to come after school. And this week, dozens of those students are getting ready to head out to Nashville Tennessee to compete with about 5000 other young people at the Super Nationals of Chess. The competition only happens every four years, and the last time the team went, they won the third place in the nation. Komada says Chess gives him and his students control. The school has the highest number of kids from low-income families. Police frequent the area day and night. As 2 months ago, a young man was shot just down the street. Komada likes to teach his students that they should think about their move before they do it. The lessons proved valuable outside the classroom as well. Many parents see these lessons translate into the real world. Students are more likely to think about their actions and see whether they will lead to trouble.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What did Ted Komada notice one day after he started teaching at Kilip Elementary?
23. What are dozens of students from Komada's school going to do this week?
24. What do we learn about the students of Kilip Elementary?
25. What have the students learned from Kamada?

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Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) Heavy floods.
B) Safety concerns.
C) Bad economy.
D) Workers' strikes.
2. A) It is competitive with its numerous tourist destinations.
B) It provides many job opportunities for French people.
C) It is the biggest concern of the French government.
D) It plays an important role in the nation's economy.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) To carry out a scientific survey.
B) To establish a new research station.
C) To rescue two sick American workers.
D) To deliver urgent medical supplies.
4. A) The darkness and cold.
B) The heavy snow and fog.
C) The biting winds.
D) The ice all around.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) By tying it to a door handle.
B) By shaking it back and forth.
C) With a remote control craft.
D) With a full-sized helicopter.
6. A) He has lots of fans on Facebook.
B) He has rich experience in flying.

- C) He often suffers from toothaches.
- D) He has learned to pull teeth from a video.
- 7. A) Spend more time together.
- B) Tell them adventure stories.
- C) Do something fun and creative.
- D) Play with them in a safe place.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) To confirm an urgent appointment.
- B) To collect a package from the woman.
- C) To ask the woman to sign a document.
- D) To arrange the delivery of a package.
- 9. A) She is doing shopping.
- B) She is visiting a friend.
- C) She is not at home.
- D) She is not feeling well.
- 10. A) He will be off duty the whole day.
- B) He will be working somewhere else.
- C) He will have to have his car repaired.
- D) He will be too busy to spare any time.
- 11. A) Sign her name.
- B) Confirm online.
- C) Pay a small fee.
- D) Show up in person.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) Vacation in Italy.
- B) Study abroad.
- C) Throw a farewell party.
- D) Go to a fashion show in Milan.
- 13. A) Quite sleepy.
- B) Very excited.

- C) Rather depressed.
- D) Nearly exhausted.
- 14. A) He has to attend a party.
- B) He has to meet a friend.
- C) He has to make a presentation.
- D) He has to finish an assignment.
- 15. A) Say goodbye to the woman at the airport.
- B) Meet the woman at the Black Cat Cafe.
- C) Drive the woman to the airport.
- D) Have lunch with the woman.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) It has kept growing over the centuries.
- B) Its top is hidden in clouds of volcanic smoke.
- C) Its height changes with each volcanic eruption.
- D) It has a recorded history of 1,500 years.
- 17. A) They are now a tourist destination.
- B) They attract a lot of migrating birds.
- C) They provide shelter for the farmers.
- D) They make good fields for farming.
- 18. A) They nest on the volcano's slopes.
- B) They feed on certain small mammals.
- C) They compete with each other for food.
- D) They match large mammals in strength.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) He is self-employed.
- B) He is a career advisor.
- C) He studies talent.
- D) He owns a magazine.
- 20. A) Doing what they like best.
- B) Loving the work they do.
- C) Making no excuses for failures.

- D) Following their natural instinct.
21. A) It does not come to anything without hard work.
 B) It may prove to be quite different from hard work.
 C) It is a natural gift only some special people can possess.
 D) It does not come to you until something special happens.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) It is a bit difficult to learn.
 B) It was popular in New Zealand.
 C) It is a traditional type of ballet.
 D) It evolved in the mid-1970s.
23. A) She wanted her to be a ballet dancer.
 B) She used to be a ballet dancer herself.
 C) She hated to see her idling about.
 D) She was too busy to look after her.
24. A) After she started teaching English.
 B) Before she left for New Zealand.
 C) When she moved to New York City.
 D) Once she began to live on her own.
25. A) It has renewed her passion for life.
 B) It has made her happy and energetic.
 C) It has helped her make new friends.
 D) It has enabled her to start a new career.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

France is facing potentially more than one billion dollars in lost revenue this year, due to huge declines in tourism. Safety concerns have been one of the biggest reasons why the country has lost over half a billion in revenue already in the first six months of 2016. The terror attacks in Paris last November, we were called Europe's worst in the past decade, besides violence, workers strikes and heavy floods are said to have also been why international tourists have stayed away. So far in the Paris region, there's been a forty-six percent decline in Japanese visitors, thirty-five percent fewer Russians and twenty-seven percent fewer Italians. American travelers seemed the least affected. Their numbers have only dropped by roughly five percent. According to the French government, the country is the number one tourist destination in the world, and tourism is extremely important to the French economy. The sector represents roughly nine percent of its GDP. The Head of Paris's Tourism Board said: "it's time to realize that the tourism sector is going through an industrial

disaster."

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What counts most for the huge declines in tourism in France?
2. What do we learn from the report about tourism in France?

News Report 2 □□□□□

A small plane with two sick U.S. workers arrived safely in Chile late Wednesday after leaving Antarctica in a daring rescue mission from a remote South Pole research station. After making a stop for a few hours at a British station on the edge of Antarctica, the two workers were flown to the southernmost Chilean city of Punta Arenas. In a chaotic two days of flying, the rescue team flew 3,000 miles round-trip from the British station to pick up the workers at the US Amundsen-Scott Station at the South Pole. The two patients aboard will be transported to a medical facility that can provide a level of care that is not available at Amundsen-Scott, says a spokesperson. Normally, planes don't go to the polar post from February to October because of the dangers of flying in the pitch-dark and cold. "Antarctica creates a hostile environment," says the operations director for the British Antarctic Survey, "if you are not careful, it'll come around and bite you."

Question 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What was the small plane's mission to Antarctica?
4. What makes flying to Antarctica dangerous from February to October?

News Report 3 □□□□□□□□□□

A pilot from Virginia removed his son's loose tooth using a helicopter. Rick Rahim from Virginia flies helicopters for a living, and when his seven-year-old son's tooth became loose, he did not waste time by tying it to a door handle. Instead, Mr. Rahim tied one end of a string around his son's tooth and the other end to his full-sized commercial helicopter. The father of four posted video clip of his playful venture on Facebook, advising parents to do fun and creative stuff with their kids. The video shows him launching the helicopter into the air and flying just far enough to successfully remove the loose tooth. At the end of the video, Mr. Rahim assures watchers that the circumstances were safe and that he has 13 years of helicopter flying experience behind him. "You've got to do everything safe in life, and that's what I did today," he said. Mr. Rahim later said that although some parents have used remote control helicopters to pull teeth before, he might be the first to use a full-sized aircraft, as he can't find evidence that it has been done before.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. How did Rick Rahim remove his son's loose tooth?
6. What does the news report say about Rick Rahim?
7. What did Rick Rahim advise parents to do with their kids?

Conversation 1 □□□□

W: Hi, Emma's speaking, who's this?

M: Hi, Emma, I'm Paul from Hermes Delivery Service. Here's a package for you. Are you at home to collect it?

W: Oh, sorry, Paul. I'm out of the moment. Can you put it in my mailbox?

M: I'm afraid I can't do that. Sorry, the package is too big, and it needs a signature to confirm you have received it. So I would need to deliver it at a time when you're in.

W: Okay, well, I'm out all day today, but I should be in tomorrow morning before I go out for lunch. And then I'll be at home again later in the afternoon. Will either of those times be convenient for you?

M: There not, unfortunately, I'm sorry. I won't be in the area tomorrow as I have some other deliveries to make on the other side of town. I could come the day after if that suits you.

W: Okay, yes, that should be fine. I have a friend coming round in the afternoon, but I'll be at home. So the day after tomorrow will be great. Do I need to pay for the package?

M: No, you don't. It says here that you pay for it when you ordered it online.

W: Oh, yes, I did. I got mixed up.

M: So you just need to sign the form to say you've received it.

W: Ok, great. See you the day after tomorrow then.

M: Yes. See you then.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. Why is the man making the phone call?

9. Why can't the woman meet the man today?

10. Why is the man unable to see the woman tomorrow?

11. What should the woman do to receive her purchase?

News Report 2 □□□□

M: Hi, Emily! I hear you're leaving for Italy soon. Do you plan to have a going-away party before you disappear? It'll be really nice for us to hang out together before you go.

W: I'm not sure. I'm leaving in just two more days, and I'm going to miss all my friends here and especially this place. Why don't you come over? I'm feeling rather sad, actually. I'm currently sitting alone at a table outside the Black Cat Cafe, listening to the rain and watching people passing by.

M: I am sorry. I can't just now. I need to get this assignment finished by Monday, and I'm way behind. Anyhow, cheer up! You're not leaving for good. And you'll absolutely love Italy.

W: Yeah, you're right. But I just feel like I'm not quite ready to go. And studying in a foreign country seems a bit overwhelming.

M: Just think of your life in Milan. In the mornings, you can go down to a small local cafe, soaking up the sun's rays and drinking coffee. I envy you. You can buy lots of gorgeous Italian clothes.

W: That does sound nice. And of course, I can keep in touch with everyone

through Facebook. Maybe you can all come visit me.

M: Of course we will. When is your flight?

W: On Saturday, after lunch, at 1:45.

M: Okay, I'll try and come to the airport on Saturday to see you off. I'll give you a call that morning, no matter what.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What is the woman going to do?
13. How does the woman feel at the moment?
14. Why can't the man meet the woman now?
15. What will the man possibly do on Saturday?

Passage 1 Etna □□

Mount Etna is one of the most active volcanoes on Earth. The mountain has been in a state of near-continuous eruption for half of a million years. Exploring the Etna geographical area reveals a history written in fire. Before the eruptions, it was covered by forests of pine trees. Located in southern Italy, Etna is the highest active volcano in Europe. However, its height often changes when volcanic material accumulates during eruptions and subsequently collapses. Few volcanoes in the world have an eruption history so thoroughly documented by historical records. Etna's eruption history dates back as far as 1500 BC. Some two hundred eruptions have been recorded down through the centuries, but compared with other volcanoes, most of its eruptions have so far been fairly light in terms of death and destruction. Only about one hundred deaths have been attributed to the volcano. The mountain hasn't been entirely harmless, however. In 1928, it destroyed the town of Mascalì. Over the centuries, Etna's lowest slopes have been shaped by human hands to take advantage of rich soils for growing grapes, apples and nuts. Local people have also carved out over two hundred caves in the soft rock, and use them for everything from sacred burial places to food storage. Large mammals once wandered the volcano slopes, but today, foxes, wild cats, rabbits, and mice are more common. Some of those small mammals help to sustain such big birds as golden eagles.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What does the speaker say about Mount Etna?
17. What do we learn about the lower slopes of Mount Etna?
18. What does the speaker say about big birds like golden eagles at Mount Etna?

Passage 2 □□□□□

My name is Brandon Leonard, and I'm an author, magazine writer, filmmaker, and public speaker. I'm self-employed, which means I work for myself and I do what I love. We have a popular scene in America which goes, "Do what you love, and you'll never work a day in your life." "But I'm here to tell you that

instead of focusing on doing what we love, I think we should focus on loving what we do. In my line of work, you'll hear a lot about talent, which is an idea we mostly invented to give ourselves an excuse to be lazy. Here's why: if you see someone doing something really well, you would say it's because they are talented. You think they are somehow special. You discount the tremendous amount of work they've done to get to where they are. Research has shown that talent is nothing without hard work. I choose to believe in hard work, but not so much in talent. There are no special people, just people who put in enough hard work until something special happens. I can promise you one thing: whatever you choose to do for a career, if you work hard at it, eventually special things will happen. They may not happen as quickly as you'd like them too, and they may turn out to be completely different from the special things you imagined at the beginning, but they will happen.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What do we learn about the speaker?
20. What is the speaker's advice to his audience?
21. What does the speaker say about talent?

Passage 3 □□□□□

A question we often ask others and are also frequently asked by others is "what do you normally do after school or work?" Some commonplace answers are, "well, I go to the gym." "Um, I just go home and watch TV." "I meet my friends for dinner." or "I just go to bed because it's so late and I'm tired." Unlike any of these typical responses, I'm proud to say that I love to dance salsa after a long and tiring day of work. Salsa is a kind of dancing that evolved in the mid-1970s in New York. My dancing life began not because I wanted to do it, but because my mother was sick and tired of seeing me running around after school doing nothing. So she enrolled me into a ballet course when I was six. I fell in love with it instantly and continued with ballet dancing for about ten years. Then, I left my native country of New Zealand to start my career as an English teacher, which eventually brought my dancing life to a halt. It wasn't until I rediscovered salsa in a lovely studio while working in Asia that I renewed my passion for dancing. Since then, I have been trying to attend dancing classes twice a week after work. It's a great way for me to relieve stress and pressure and dance my way towards feeling energetic and happy again.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What does the speaker say about the dance, salsa?
23. Why did the speaker's mother enroll her in a ballet course?
24. When did the speaker's dancing life come to a halt?
25. In what way has salsa dancing benefited the speaker?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) Many facilities were destroyed by a wandering cow.
B) A wandering cow knocked down one of its fences.
C) Some tourists were injured by a wandering cow.
D) A wandering cow was captured by the police.
2. A) It was shot to death by a police officer.
B) It found its way back to the park's zoo.
C) It became a great attraction for tourists.
D) It was sent to the animal control department.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) It is the largest of its kind.
B) It is going to be expanded.
C) It is displaying more fossil specimens.
D) It is starting an online exhibition.
4. A) A collection of bird fossils from Australia.
B) Photographs of certain rare fossil exhibits.
C) Some ancient wall paintings from Australia.
D) Pictures by winners of a wildlife photo contest.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) Pick up trash.
B) Amuse visitors.
C) Deliver messages.
D) Play with children.
6. A) They are especially intelligent.
B) They are children's favorite.

- C) They are quite easy to tame.
- D) They are clean and pretty.
- 7. A) Children may be harmed by the rooks.
- B) Children may be tempted to drop litter.
- C) Children may contract bird diseases.
- D) Children may overfeed the rooks.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) It will be produced at Harvard University.
- B) It will be hosted by famous professors.
- C) It will cover different areas of science.
- D) It will focus on recent scientific discoveries.
- 9. A) It will be more futuristic.
- B) It will be more systematic.
- C) It will be more entertaining.
- D) It will be easier to understand.
- 10. A) People interested in science.
- B) Youngsters eager to explore.
- C) Children in their early teens.
- D) Students majoring in science.
- 11. A) Offer professional advice.
- B) Provide financial support.
- C) Help promote it on the Internet.
- D) Make episodes for its first season.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) Unsure.
- B) Helpless.
- C) Concerned.
- D) Dissatisfied.
- 13. A) He is too concerned with being perfect.
- B) He loses heart when faced with setbacks.

- C) He is too ambitious in achieving goals.
- D) He takes on projects beyond his ability.
- 14. A) Embarrassed.
- B) Unconcerned.
- C) Miserable.
- D) Resentful.
- 15. A) Try to be optimistic whatever happens.
- B) Compare his present with his past only.
- C) Always learn from others' achievements.
- D) Treat others the way he would be treated.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) They have a stronger sense of social responsibility.
- B) They are more likely to succeed in the humanities.
- C) They are more likely to become engineers.
- D) They have greater potential to be leaders.
- 17. A) Praise girls who like to speak up frequently.
- B) Encourage girls to solve problems on their own.
- C) Insist that boys and girls work together more.
- D) Respond more positively to boys' comments.
- 18. A) Offer personalized teaching materials.
- B) Provide a variety of optional courses.
- C) Place great emphasis on test scores.
- D) Pay extra attention to top students.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) It often rains cats and dogs.
- B) It seldom rains in summer time.
- C) It does not rain as much as people think.
- D) It is one of the most rainy cities in the US.
- 20. A) They drive most of the time.
- B) The rain is usually very light.
- C) They have got used to the rain.

- D) The rain comes mostly at night.
21. A) It has a lot of places for entertainment.
 B) It has never seen thunder and lightning.
 C) It has fewer cloudy days than any other coastal city.
 D) It has mild weather both in summer and in winter.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) It occurs when people are doing a repetitive activity.
 B) It results from exerting one's muscles continuously.
 C) It happens when people engage in an uncommon activity.
 D) It comes from straining one's muscles in an unusual way.
23. A) Blood flow and body heat increase in the affected area.
 B) Body movements in the affected area become difficult.
 C) They begin to make repairs immediately.
 D) They gradually become fragmented.
24. A) About one week.
 B) About two days.
 C) About ten days.
 D) About four weeks.
25. A) Apply muscle creams.
 B) Drink plenty of water.
 C) Have a hot shower.
 D) Take pain-killers.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

New York City police captured a cow on the loose in Prospect Park on Tuesday after the animal became an attraction for tourists while walking along the streets and enjoying the park facilities. The confused creature and camera-holding humans stared at each other through a fence for several minutes. At other times the cow wandered around the 526-acre park and the artificial grass field normally used for human sporting events. Officers use soccer goals to fence the animal in. However, the cow then moved through one of the nets knocking down a police officer in the process. Police eventually trapped the cow between two vehicles parked on either side of a baseball field's bench area. An officer then shot an arrow to put it to sleep. Then officers waited for the drug to take effect. After it fell asleep they loaded the cow into a horse trailer. It was not clear where the cow came from or how it got lost. Police turned it over to the animal control department after they caught it.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What happened in New York's Prospect Park on Tuesday?
2. What do we learn about the cow from the end of the news report?

News Report 2 □□□□□□

Starting April 28 of this year, the National Museum of Natural History will begin renovating its fossil hall. The fossil hall, which displays some of the world's oldest and largest fossil specimens, receives more than 2 million visitors each year. It's one of the museum's most famous attractions. As a result, the museum plans to expand the hall, as well as add to its ancient birds collection. Bird lovers, both young and old, have already responded with excitement at the news. The museum's social media account has been flooded with messages of support. In the meantime, the current collection will be closed. However, visitors will be compensated during the closure. Museum's special exhibition area will now be free of charge. This week, the resident exhibition is a display of ancient wall paintings on loan from Australia. They celebrate the cultural heritage of the country and will be available to view until Sunday. Next week, the exhibition will be taken over by the Wildlife Photographer of the Year Competition. The winner of this year's competition will be awarded a preview of the new fossil hall, as well as a cash prize.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What does the news report say about the fossil hall of the National Museum of Natural History?
4. What is on display this week in the museum's resident exhibition hall?

News Report 3 □□□□□

Six birds have just been trained to pick up rubbish at a French historical theme park. According to the park's manager, Mr. Villiers, the goal is not just to clear up the park. He says visitors are already good at keeping things clean. Instead, he wants to show that nature itself can teach us to take care of the environment. He says that rooks, the chosen birds, are considered to be particularly intelligent. In the right circumstances, they even like to communicate with humans and establish a relationship through play. The birds will be encouraged to clean the park through the use of a small box that delivers a small amount of bird food. Each time, the rook deposits a cigarette end or a small piece of rubbish. So far, visitors to the theme park have been excited to see the birds in action. However, some parents are concerned that it encourages their children to drop litter so they can watch the birds to pick it up. Villiers is not concerned about this criticism. He maintains most of the feedback he has received has been overwhelmingly positive. He hopes now to train more birds.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What have six birds been trained to do at a French historical theme park?
6. Why were rooks chosen by the park manager?
7. What is the concern of some parents?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□

W: The name of the TV show we wish to produce is Science Nation.

M: Please tell us more. What will Science Nation be about?

W: It will be about science, all sorts of science. Each episode will focus on a different area of science, and tell us what we know, how we know it, and what we still don't know. The show will have one host only, and this will be Professor Susan Paul from Harvard University, she's a great public speaker.

M: So, just to be clear, will the show its format be like that of the documentary?

W: Kind of. It will be like a documentary in the sense, that it will be non-fiction and fact-based. However, our idea is for it to be also fun and entertaining, something which traditional documentaries aren't so much. Please keep in mind, this will be a new TV show, like nothing ever done before.

M: Okay, so it will be both educational and entertaining, and your audience will be anyone interested in science, right?

W: That's correct, yes.

M: Right, thank you. So, I think we're more or less clear what the show will be like. Could you please tell us now, what exactly you want from us?

W: Yes, of course. Basically, what we need from you is financial support. In order to go ahead with this idea, we need 2 million dollars. This will cover the cost of making all 12 shows in the first season for the first year. If the show is a success, we can then look at making a second season for the following year.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What do we learn about the TV show Science Nation?

9. In what way will the TV show Science Nation differ from traditional documentaries?

10. Who will be the intended audience of the TV show Science Nation?

11. What does the woman want the man to do for the TV show?

Conversation 2 □□□□

W: What's up with you? You don't look very happy.

M: I feel like I'm a failure. I can't seem to do anything very well.

W: I wouldn't say that. You do very well in a lot of things. That presentation you gave last week was excellent.

M: Yes, but I have this urge to strive for perfection. I really want to push harder and progress further.

W: Well, that's very admirable. But be careful, overconcern with being perfect can damage our confidence if we never achieve it.

M: Yes, I know. I feel awful whenever I make a mistake in whatever I'm trying to do.

W: Well, think about it. You can't make progress without making mistakes and learning from them. Thomas Edison, the famous inventor, once said "I've not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."

M: You may well be right. I guess I should recognize my mistakes and learn the lesson they teach me and move forward.

W: Also, remember a successful ending is not the only thing worthy of a celebration. You need to recognize each step of progress you take towards achieving your goals. And no matter how tiny it is, it's still good news.

M: I always feel down when I see others accomplishing things and I feel miserable about my own achievements. I'm always trying to be as good as others, but I never seem to get there.

W: Listen. If you always compare yourself with others, you'll never feel good enough. You're the only person you should be comparing yourself with. When you compare your current status with the starting point, you'll find you've made progress, right? That's good enough.

M: That's great advice. Thank you. I'm feeling better already.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. How does the man feel about himself?

13. What does the woman think is the man's problem?

14. How does the man feel when he sees others accomplishing things?

15. What does the woman suggest the man do?

Passage 1 □□□□□□

Single-sex education can have enormous benefits for female students. Numerous studies have shown that women who attend single-sex schools tend to have stronger self-confidence, better study habits and more ambitious career goals than women who attend coeducational schools. Girls who graduate from single-sex schools are three times more likely to become engineers than those who attend coeducational schools. The reason is that all-girls schools encourage women to enter fields traditionally dominated by men such as science, technology and engineering. In coeducational schools, girls are often expected to succeed only in humanities or the art. Research has also shown that in coeducational settings, teachers are more likely to praise and give in-depth responses to boys' comments in class. In contrast, they might only respond to a girl's comments with a nod. They are also more likely to encourage boys to work through problems on their own, while they tend to step in and help girls who struggle with a problem. In an all-girls setting, girls are more likely to speak up frequently and make significant contributions to class than in a coeducational setting. Girls studying in a single-sex setting also earn higher scores on their College Board and advanced placement exams than girls who study in coeducational settings. All-girls schools tend to be smaller than coeducational schools, which means teachers would be able to tailor the materials to girl students' personal learning styles and interest.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What advantage does the speaker say girls from single-sex schools have over those from coeducational schools?

17. What do teachers tend to do in coeducational settings?
18. What are teachers more likely to do in an all-girls school?

Passage 2 □□□□□

Today I found out that Seattle doesn't really get that much rain compared with most US cities. In fact, Seattle ranks 44th among major US cities in average annual rainfall. Cities that get more rainfall than Seattle include Huston, Memphis, Nashville, and pretty much every major city on the eastern coast, such as New York, Boston, and Miami. So, why does everyone think of Seattle as a rainy city? The primary root of this misconception lies in that Seattle has a relatively large number of days per year with rainfall compared with New York and Boston, which get an average of about 16% more rain per year than Seattle, but also average between them about 36 fewer days a year of rainfall. So it rains a lot less in Seattle. And the rain is spread out over more days than those cities. This is why few locals in Seattle carry an umbrella generally. When it does rain, it tends to be a very light rain that isn't troublesome. It almost never really rains as most people think. On top of that, it never really storms in Seattle, either. Seattle gets an average of a mere 7 days a year with thunder. So in short, if you like sunny but not too hot summers, mild winters but with lots of cloudy days, Seattle's the place to be. Anyway, if you visit Seattle, don't bring an umbrella. People will look at you, thinking you are funny.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What does the speaker find out about Seattle?
20. Why do local people in Seattle seldom carry an umbrella?
21. Why does the speaker say 'Seattle is a good place to be'?

Passage 3 □□□□

After tough workout or a day full of physical activity, it's common to find your muscles aching, but where do these pains come from? According to a German professor, the soreness comes from straining your muscles in an uncommon way, for example, jumping on a bicycle for a ride, because you haven't ridden in a long time. Soreness occurs since your leg muscles aren't used to that movement. When muscles perform an activity they aren't regularly exposed to, the tiny fibers that are inside them are being torn apart. As muscle soreness develops, the body has to work to repair the muscle tears, but this doesn't happen immediately. First, the body must realize the muscles are damaged. When the body realizes the muscles are hurt, the response is to increase blood flow to the area and increase body heat, damaged cells are then cleaned up and the body sends cells specially designed to break down the large muscle fiber fragments. Healing can take place after this. It takes about a day until these cells make it to your aching muscles. That's why there is most often a delay associated with muscle soreness. Repair of damaged cells takes about two days, and afterwards the soreness disappears.

Unfortunately, there is little that can be done to relieve muscle soreness. Pain relieving creams don't work, but a hot shower, or warm bath can provide some relief.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What does the German professor say about muscle soreness?
23. What happens when muscles are damaged according to the passage?
24. How long does it take for damaged cells to heal?
25. What does the speaker suggest one do to relieve muscle soreness?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) The number of male nurses has gone down.
B) There is discrimination against male nurses.
C) There is a growing shortage of medical personnel.
D) The number of nurses has dropped to a record low.
2. A) Working conditions.
B) Educational system.
C) Inadequate pay.
D) Cultural bias.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) He fell out of a lifeboat.
B) He was almost drowned.
C) He lost his way on a beach.
D) He enjoyed swimming in the sea.
4. A) The lifeboats patrol the area round the clock.
B) The beach is a good place to watch the tide.
C) The emergency services are efficient.
D) The beach is a popular tourist resort.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) It climbed 25 storeys at one go.
B) It broke into an office room.
C) It escaped from a local zoo.
D) It became an online star.
6. A) Release it into the wild.
B) Return it to its owner.

- C) Send it back to the zoo.
- D) Give it a physical checkup.
- 7. A) A raccoon can perform acts no human can.
- B) A raccoon can climb much higher than a cat.
- C) The raccoon did something no politician could.
- D) The raccoon became as famous as some politicians.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) She received a bonus unexpectedly.
- B) She got a well-paying job in a bank.
- C) She received her first monthly salary.
- D) She got a pay raise for her performance.
- 9. A) Two decades ago.
- B) Several years ago.
- C) Just last month.
- D) Right after graduation.
- 10. A) He sent a small check to his parents.
- B) He treated his parents to a nice meal.
- C) He took a few of his friends to a gym.
- D) He immediately deposited it in a bank.
- 11. A) Join her colleagues for gym exercise.
- B) Visit her former university campus.
- C) Buy some professional clothes.
- D) Budget her salary carefully.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) He has just too many things to attend to.
- B) He has been overworked recently.
- C) He has a difficult decision to make.
- D) He has just quarreled with his girlfriend.
- 13. A) Turn to his girlfriend for assistance.
- B) Give priority to things more urgent.

- C) Think twice before making the decision.
- D) Seek advice from his family and advisor.
- 14. A) His girlfriend does not support his decision.
- B) He is not particularly keen on the job offered.
- C) He lacks the money for his doctoral program.
- D) His parents and advisor have different opinions.
- 15. A) They need time to make preparations.
- B) They haven't started their careers yet.
- C) They need to save enough money for it.
- D) They haven't won their parents' approval.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Expressing ideas and opinions freely.
- B) Enriching social and intellectual lives.
- C) Acquiring information and professional knowledge.
- D) Using information to understand and solve problems.
- 17. A) Traveling to different places in the world.
- B) Playing games that challenge one's mind.
- C) Improving mind-reading strategies.
- D) Reading classic scientific literature.
- 18. A) Participate in debates or discussions.
- B) Expose themselves to different cultures.
- C) Discard personal biases and prejudices.
- D) Give others freedom to express themselves.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) Why dogs can be faithful friends of humans.
- B) The nature of relationships between dogs.
- C) The reason a great many people love dogs.
- D) How dogs feel about their bonds with humans.
- 20. A) They behave like other animals in many ways.
- B) They have an unusual sense of responsibility.
- C) They can respond to humans' questions.

- D) They can fall in love just like humans.
- 21. A) They stay with one partner for life.
- B) They have their own joys and sorrows.
- C) They experience true romantic love.
- D) They help humans in various ways.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. A) A rare animal.
- B) A historical site.
- C) A cow bone.
- D) A precious stone.
- 23. A) Dating it.
- B) Preserving it.
- C) Measuring it.
- D) Identifying it.
- 24. A) The channel needs to interview the boy.
- B) The boy should have called an expert.
- C) The boy's family had acted correctly.
- D) The site should have been protected.
- 25. A) Conduct a more detailed search.
- B) Ask the university to reward Jude.
- C) Search for similar fossils elsewhere.
- D) Seek additional funds for the search.



News Report 1 □□□□□□□□

The British government has called for more men to consider a career in nursing. Figures show the number of male nurses has fallen in the last three years. Now, the number of men working in the nursing sector has reached a seven-year low. Numbers of male nurses increased between 2011 and 2014 and reached a peak of 7168. This figure has dropped to only 6924 in 2017. The UK Health Secretary said this is clearly a cultural problem, and probably one that exists in many parts of the world. But we can make efforts to change that now. We want to persuade males to think about career options of going into nursing. There is absolutely no reason why men can't go into this profession. The health secretary said that the government already has plans to attract a more varied workforce into nursing. She stated, we are leading the way on workforce planning. We will become the first nation in Europe to publish a national health and care workforce plan.

Questions one and two are based on the news report you have just

heard.

1. What problem is Britain facing?
2. What is the cause of the problem according to the UK Health Secretary?

News Report 2 □□□□□

A man from Libya was enjoying a walk along the sands at Southport beach. When he was about half a mile out from the dock, he felt a bit tired. So he lay down and fell asleep, but the tide swept in quickly at the beach. And the man was shocked to wake up and find the tide had come in and completely surrounded him, cutting him off from the shore. Fortunately for him, the beach lifeguards were quickly on the scene to stop him from drowning. They act professionally to ensure the man was comfortable until an ambulance arrived. He was then taken to hospital. He is now in a stable condition. When interviewed, Keith Porter of the Southport beach said, our beach is so flat that it's very common for the tide come around the back of people and cut them off from the beach. Thankfully the emergency services have again worked well together to ensure a positive outcome. And we wish the gentleman a speedy recovery.

Questions three and four are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What does the news report say about the Libyan man?
4. What did Keith Porter say at an interview?

News Report 3 □□□□□

A raccoon, a small cat-like animal climbed to the top of a 25-story skyscraper early on Wednesday. It was captured after becoming an online star across the world. At a little before three a. m., the animal made it to the roof of the building, after it took a long break on a 17th-floor window edge. At the top of the building, animal control officers put cat food in traps and captured the raccoon. A private wildlife management company will release the animal into the wild. The raccoons' upward journey began on Monday. The brown animal was spotted stuck on a narrow window edge of the office tower. On Tuesday, the raccoon slowly climbed the building. It reached the 23rd floor, and its legend continued to grow on social media with every floor it climbed. As it went up, people gathered on the sidewalk below to take photos and cheer for its safety. Online office workers posted photos and videos of the raccoon, resting on window edges and climbing up the building's concrete exterior. One online post said that the raccoon has succeeded in uniting the country the way no politician could.

Questions five to seven are based on the news report you have just heard:

5. What does the news report say about the raccoon, a small cat-like animal?
6. What will the wildlife management company do with the captured raccoon?
7. What did one online post say?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□

W: I have really amazing news. I just got a text message from my bank, saying my salary has been deposited in my account.

M: Getting paid is good. But I don't understand why you're so excited. It happens every month.

W: Well, I've been working for a few years. In fact, I worked all through university, but I only had part-time jobs then. So this is the first time I've ever been paid for a month of full-time work.

M: Well, then you must feel great. I mean, it's been two decades, but I can still remember when I got my first real salary. I was happy for days. And I felt like it was a small fortune, even though it wasn't.

W: Yeah, I've never earned so much money before. And there are so many things I'd like to do with it. What did you do with your first pay?

M: I bought a new suit for work and took my parents to a nice restaurant to celebrate. Maybe you could do the same.

W: I have enough professional clothes. And my parents are across the country. So seeing them is impossible. But some people from the office are members of a gym. I want to join. And my university classmates are arranging a trip to visit our old campus, and I'd love to go with them, but I can't afford both.

M: If I were you, I join the gym because it's a good way to stay healthy, and it might help you build a stronger relationship with your colleagues. And good relationships are key to a successful career.

W: Hm. You're right. Thanks for the advice. I'm taking it.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. Why did the woman feel excited?

9. When did the man get his first full-time job?

10. What did the man do when he got his first pay?

11. What does the woman say she is going to?

Conversation 2 □□□□□□

W: What's going on with you lately? You seem so distracted. Like you aren't really listening to anything I say.

M: I know. I'm sorry. I can't seem to focus on anything, because I still haven't decided if I should accept the offer for that Ph. D. program in London, or if I should take the job offer in New York.

W: Look, it's a tough decision, but you're running out of time, aren't you? I thought you said the company expected an answer by the end of the month.

M: Actually, it's the beginning of next month for the job, but the university needs a decision by the end of the week. So I have to act quickly.

W: You definitely need advice for the important decision like this. So who have you talked to about it? What does your family think? Any adviser for your Master's program?

M: I've asked their advice and that's part of the problem. My parents want me

to get a degree, but my advisor thinks it's time for me to get more work experience.

W: What do you mean by part of the problem? Oh, wait, it's your girlfriend, isn't it? You've been dating since your first year of university, so that six years now. She must have an opinion about all this. I mean isn't it time for you to think about getting married?

M: Well, I do want to get married, but she thinks we need to wait until we've launched our careers. Plus, she's not sure what she'll be doing next year. She's considering a job in England and one in Australia. And her parents are pushing for the latter.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. Why does the man seem to be distracted?
13. What does the woman say the man should do?
14. What does the man say is part of his problem?
15. Why doesn't the man's girlfriend agree to get married right now?

Passage 1 □□□□□□□□

Analytical skills are our ability to understand and solve problems using information we have available. These skills are extremely important for our professional, social, and intellectual lives. What are the best ways to improve them? One way is to expand your world view. Unfortunately, this takes time. Ultimately, it will help you better evaluate information and analyze different ideas and outcomes. Traveling is a great way to expand your world view, although it can be expensive. An entertaining way of enhancing your analytical skills is to engage them by playing brain games. These are games that challenge you to think deeply and to develop your analytical skills. These games will get you used to thinking in a certain way. As a result, they will help improve your ability to think. However, opinions vary on whether video games are effective. The general consensus is that the best ones avoid mindless violence, and instead focus on strategy and challenge us to solve problems and achieve broad goals. Joining a debate or reading club or group is also a good idea. This provides people with the opportunity to come together and discuss ideas, literature and problems. Groups like these will help you refine your analytical skills and enable you to express yourself better. Any social group that encourages free exchange of ideas and pursuit of knowledge is beneficial. It helps you to actively develop your analytical skills.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What kind of ability do analytical skills refer to in the passage?
17. What does the passage say is an entertaining way of enhancing one's analytical skills?
18. What else does the speaker advise people to do to improve their analytical skills?

Passage 2 □□□□□□

There's an endless amount of scientific data proving that dogs can develop strong bonds with their owners. People aren't kidding when they say they love their dog or their dog loves them, but were rather ignorant about the nature of the relationships that form between dogs. In an effort to understand the matter further, I spoke with doctor Mark Beckhoff, a researcher and former professor of animal behavior. The doctor's response to the question of whether or not dogs can fall in love like humans do was a straight "Of course!" He went on to say that if love is defined as a long-term commitment, meaning dogs seek one another out when they're apart, they're happy when they're reunited, they protect one another, they feed one another, they raise their children together. Then, of course, dogs love each other. Now our furry friends don't really experience romantic love, like in the movies, but they can form deep and lasting bonds with their fellow dogs as well as humans. In fact, evidence shows almost dogs stay with one partner their whole lives. In actuality, love between dogs can be even more intimate than human relationships. When they interact, they aren't afraid to smell each other and will express themselves clearly and honestly. Once again, it seems we have a lot to learn from dogs.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What does the passage say we don't know much about?
20. What does Dr. Mark Beckhoff say about dogs?
21. What does the speaker say about most dogs?

Passage 3 □□□□□□

A piece of history has been found thanks to a boy tripping on a rare, 1.2-million-year-old animal fossil. In November 2016, Jude Sparks, now 10, was on an outing with his family near their New Mexico home, when he tripped over what he thought was a cow bone. Now, researchers at New Mexico State University preserving this discovery, which was identified as an ancient elephant-like animal. Kyle Sparks, father of Jude, said he let his son decide what to do with the fossil. So Jude reached out to Peter Houde, a professor at New Mexico State University who had experience with the same type of fossil in the past. The next day, Houde came out to see the fossil for himself. Houde told ABC News that he was quite excited about the find. It was fortunate that the family didn't try to dig up the fossil because that could destroy the specimen; they did the right thing by calling someone who would know what to do. "It's great for the community because now everybody can appreciate it," he added. Houde and his fellow faculty members dug up the fossil in late May. They hope to return to the site with geologists for an additional search as there could be more fossils near the site. Jude and his family had been invited by the researchers to see the fossil being preserved at the university.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What did the boy Jude Sparks think he had discovered?

23. What are the researchers at New Mexico State University doing with the boy's discovery?
24. What did professor Peter Houde say when interviewed by ABC News?
25. What do the researchers plan to do?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) Watch the weather forecast.
B) Evacuate the area with the orange alert.
C) Avoid travel on Wednesday.
D) Prepare enough food and drink.
2. A) Pay more attention to the roads.
B) Stay at a safer place.
C) Bring more mobile phones.
D) Take a train home.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) There is only one ecosystem in Europe.
B) Romania's wetlands thrive again.
C) The wildlife in Romania isn't well protected.
D) There are 200 species of birds in Romania's wetlands.
4. A) Block the waterways.
B) Restore the fishing ban.
C) Use monitoring equipment.
D) Prohibit fishing in the next 10 years.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) He had a car accident.
B) He attended his graduation ceremony.
C) He had a heart attack.
D) He gave a performance in the auditorium.
6. A) What happened to him.
B) What date it was.

- C) When the graduation ceremony was.
- D) Where he was.
- 7. A) He was really touched by his classmates.
- B) He didn't know what happened at all.
- C) He couldn't remember what to say.
- D) His parents wore caps and gowns.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) Her children's disruption.
- B) Quiet atmosphere.
- C) A sense of isolation.
- D) Longer working hours.
- 9. A) It doesn't offer coffee.
- B) It's too quiet.
- C) It doesn't have free Wi-Fi.
- D) It lacks the material he needs.
- 10. A) The sense of being out in the world.
- B) The coffee it provides.
- C) The coffee table.
- D) The comfortable working condition.
- 11. A) People don't order anything.
- B) People bring their laptops and paperwork.
- C) People occupy valuable table space in quiet times.
- D) People of two occupy a table for six.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) She is not satisfied with the salary.
- B) She is not capable of the job.
- C) She often works overtime.
- D) She's received a job offer from another company.
- 13. A) They may be considered as less loyal.
- B) They won't get the promotion opportunities.

- C) They should take more responsibility at work.
- D) They will be given hiring priority.
- 14. A) She might have to do extra work every day.
- B) She might not get a pay rise.
- C) She might not get enough vacation.
- D) She might not gain more experience.
- 15. A) Experience.
- B) Confidence.
- C) Fortune.
- D) Opportunity.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) It's a horrible feeling.
- B) It can be a blessing.
- C) It's boring and dangerous.
- D) It's the most comfortable state.
- 17. A) To be active.
- B) To meet up with your friends.
- C) To travel abroad.
- D) To seek advice from others.
- 18. A) It provides a chance for people to think deeply.
- B) It makes us treasure the time.
- C) It enables one to identify true friends.
- D) It helps us take care of problems more efficiently.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) He is a harsh person.
- B) He is mean to others.
- C) He is very demanding in his work.
- D) He usually works very late.
- 20. A) He moved out and divorced.
- B) It was plagued by drugs and gang violence.
- C) He lived there for 20 years.

- D) His parents would move into his new house.
21. A) He was only responsible for unloading food.
B) He had to sign his name on every label.
C) It was a hard and tedious job.
D) He was required to work at Friday night.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) By recording the time people spend on TV.
B) By tracking people's living habits.
C) By using memory and fluency tests.
D) By scanning people's brains.
23. A) Watching television for hours.
B) Playing video games.
C) Reading books and magazines.
D) Surfing the Internet.
24. A) Television viewing may be a potential factor for Alzheimer's disease.
B) Alzheimer's patients tend to watch television more than 3 hours a day.
C) Some research has confirmed the link between them.
D) Television watching is beneficial to Alzheimer's patients.
25. A) Watch television no more than 3 hours each day.
B) Balance television viewing with other contrasting activities.
C) Watch some educational TV programs.
D) Take more physical exercise.



News Report 1 □□□□

Good morning! In today's headlines, Scotland's Transport Minister has warned of potentially extreme weather conditions as heavy snow is forecast across the country later this week. Orange warnings are in force in many areas on Wednesday and Thursday. The Transport Minister advised people in parts of Scotland covered by the orange alert to avoid travel on Wednesday. This is what he said to us: "The orange warning may be raised to red in some areas. That is a warning for snow that has never been seen since the modern system came into place in Scotland." The orange warning has been extended until 6 p.m. on Thursday. Trains, planes and ferries are also likely to be affected, with wind chill that could see parts of Britain feeling as cold as -15°C. The head of road policing said, "I would urge drivers to take extra care on the roads for their journeys. Drivers should make sure they are prepared for their journey with warm clothing, food and drink, sufficient fuel and a charged mobile phone. There could be significant traffic delays, so please start to plan your

journey now and consider if you really need to travel when conditions are this poor."

Questions one and two are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What were people at parts of Scotland advised to do?
2. What did the head of road policing urge drivers to do?

News Report 2 □□□□□□□□

Romania's wetlands are coming back to life, thanks to help from local communities, the World Wildlife Fund and funding from the European Union. Roughly 2,224 acres of the picturesque Danube Delta – home to 300 species of birds – have filled with wildlife. The land has been connected to the network of lakes and streams in the area. "A lot of birds have migrated to the area and one doesn't need to travel long hours anymore or go to other lakes to watch the birds," says Ion Meuta, Deputy Mayor of Mamudia. The area around Mahmudia, which is a UNESCO World Heritage site, is the third-most biodiverse in the world, after Australia's Great Barrier Reef and the Galapagos Islands. Groups used earth-moving equipment to restore the waterways. Government officials proposed to protect the area's endangered wild fish by issuing a fishing ban over the next decade.

Questions three and four are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What is the news report mainly about?
4. What did government's officials propose to do to protect the endangered fish?

News Report 3 □□□□□□□□

Scott Dun, recently awoke from a medically-induced sleep he'd been in after a car accident. He was heartbroken after realizing he'd missed his high school graduation, so his classmates decided to give him another chance. It was just a month ago that East Juniata High School seniors met in the school's auditorium for graduation. And last week, they did it again. Scott's car accident was on May 22nd, just 3 days before the ceremony. "I remember waking up in the hospital and asking mom, 'What day it was', she told me it was the 28th." He said, "I looked at her and said, I missed my graduation." The school's principal, Mr. Fausey, called Scott's mom Karen and said that everybody wanted to do something special for him. Students wore their caps and gowns and sat in the front of the auditorium. Scott's parents, Karen and Scott Senior, sat front and center. After brief speeches, Scott's name was called, only Scott's name. He walked across the stage as the audience cheered. A graduation for one. "I'm speechless," Scott said. "I don't know how to even explain it. I'm speechless to know that so many people are behind me."

Questions five to seven are based on the news report you have just

heard:

5. What happened to Scot a month ago?
6. What did Scot ask about when he regained consciousness?
7. Why was Scot speechless at the graduation ceremony?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□□□

M: How do you like your new flexible working arrangement? Do you enjoy working from home?

W: Yes and no, I find an isolation challenging at times, apart from my mother, not too many people I know, have time for phone chats during working hours. I tried the library but found I wasn't really keen on working there.

M: No, neither would I. I find the library a bit too quiet. I'd lack inspiration or stimulation, which would be counter-productive to getting a lot of work done.

W: I find the same thing. So, lately, I've been going out to cafes occasionally. I love the noise, the people, the busyness of a cafe, the sense of being out in the world.

M: Coffee shops seem to have effectively become office spaces for so many people in this digital age. Though I'm not sure how cafe owners feel about it - having so many people who go to that places to work rather than drink and eat.

W: Yes, some people seem to spend a lot of time there and not order much. The most annoying one for cafe owners must surely be those, usually only two of them, who occupy a table for six with their laptops and paperwork.

M: They should sit at a table for two, not the table for six. Some obviously stay so long, they need to plug the laptops into a power outlet. I nearly tripped over someone's computer electrical lead the other day in my local cafe.

W: It's a double-edged sword, no doubt about that, for a cafe owner. While remote workers help to keep the cafe full in quiet times, they can take up valuable table space and busy periods.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What does the woman say is the disadvantage of working from home?
9. What does the man say is counter-productive to getting work done in the library?
10. What does the woman like about doing one's work in a cafe?
11. What is most annoying for cafe owners according to the woman?

Conversation 2 □□

W: I'm going to start working for another job. I can't see myself getting an opportunity to progress at my company anytime in the near future. And I really think my skills and abilities deserve a higher salary.

M: You are not going to quit, are you?

W: I'm thinking I might as well. Then I can devote more time and energy to finding a better position at another company.

M: But you've been in your present company less than two years, haven't

you? This would be the third time you've left your job in the last five years. If you do several jobs in a relatively short span of time, prospective employers might perceive that you lack loyalty. That could make them wary and reluctant to employ you.

W: Unfortunately, loyalty doesn't pay. Even if I get a promotion at my company, it's likely to be less sizeable than if I were to get a job elsewhere. And even if I get a promotion, I'm not guaranteed to get a raise. I had that experience at another company I worked at.

M: They want you to take on more work and responsibility but for the same amount of money?

W: More or less, yes. The way I see it, through having different jobs, I've gathered a lot of experience in different jobs and in different industries.

M: But potential employers might worry that that experience is not deep, or thorough enough.

W: Perhaps, but I feel pretty confident that I can sell myself. You know what they say, fortune favors the brave.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What makes the woman think about changing her job?

13. What does the man say about people who keep changing their jobs?

14. What does the woman say would happen even if she got promoted in her current company?

15. What benefit has the woman gained from changing her jobs frequently?

Passage 1 □□□□□

There is a saying that goes something along the lines of "You must love yourself first before you can love someone else." Similarly, I personally believe that you must be comfortable and happy in your own company before you can truly be yourself in the company of others. There is a massive difference between being lonely and being alone. Loneliness is a horrible feeling. However, you don't have to actually be alone to feel that way. Many times, I've felt lonely when surrounded by a big group of people. In contrast, being alone can actually be a blessing, particularly, when you've actively chosen it. In my experience, being bored and alone is dangerous and can easily lead to the feeling of loneliness. The trick is to be active. Get outside, stretch your legs, do something cultural, buy yourself something tasty to eat or something pretty to wear. You don't have to take anyone else into consideration and can do whatever you please. Spending time alone also allows you to more efficiently take care of problems. And then, when it's time to be social and meet up with your friends, you will be fully there, because you won't have too much other stuff floating around in your mind. Having been alone for a bit, you will also appreciate your friends' company more and chances are your time spent together will be more worthwhile.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What does the speaker say about being alone?
17. What does the speaker say how to reduce one's feeling of loneliness?
18. What is an advantage of spending one's time alone?

Passage 2 □□□□

When I turned twelve, I worked summers at my father's small brick cleaning business. I remember the harsh acid smell of the cleaning solution, and the scraping sound of stiff iron brushes against rough brick. It was tempting to hurry your job just finish. But anybody who worked for Thomas Kahoon had to meet his standards, and that included me. If I messed up, he made me stay late until I got it right. My father wasn't being mean. He demanded the same of himself. Every brick he cleaned on the house stood out like a red jewel in a white setting. It was his signature. In 1970, when I was twenty, I got married. I moved out of my parent's modest place into a housing project. Drugs and gang violence were just beginning to plague the project. Some of my friends went to jail. Some were killed. My wife Verllen, was 18, and nobody gave our marriage a chance. But we believed in each other. And our faith made us strong. When we married, I worked as a stock clerk at Southwest Super Foods. It was hard, tedious work. Each Friday night a truck came, with cases of food that had to be unloaded, priced and placed on shelves. Most of stock clerks try to get Friday night off. But I was always ready to work. By Saturday morning, all the cans and jars in my aisle were placed with the labels facing smartly out, like a line of soldiers on review. That was my signature. I took pride in a job nobody wanted.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What do we learn about the speaker's father?
20. What does the speaker say about the housing project?
21. What do we learn about the speaker as a stock clerk?

Passage 3 □□□□□□□□□□

Watching more than 3 hours of television a day doubles memory loss in older people, a new study of more than 3,000 adults suggests. Scientists at University College London used memory and fluency tests on the same group of people 6 years apart. They found that those who watched on average less than 3 hours' television a day showed a decline around 4 to 5 percent, while those who tended to watch more than 3 hours a day declined by an average of 8 to 10 percent. The research team say they believe the alert but passive nature of television watching may be creating stress on the mind, which contributes to memory decline. Older people who watch more television are also less likely to undertake activities known to preserve mental functioning, such as reading or interactive screen-based pursuits, such as using the internet or playing video games. The researchers say that television viewing may be a risk factor for Alzheimer's disease, but more research is needed to establish a link. While watching television may have educational benefits and

relaxation benefits, the researchers advise that adults over the age of 50 should try and ensure that television viewing is balanced with other contrasting activities. If you're concerned that the amount of television you're watching could have a negative impact on your health, you should limit the amount of TV you watch each day and undertake some healthy hobbies.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. By what means did scientists at University College London measure memory loss?
23. What contributed to memory decline in the participants?
24. What did the researchers say about their finding concerning the link between TV viewing and Alzheimer's disease?
25. What do the researchers suggest older people do?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) Ship traffic in the Atlantic.
B) Warm currents in the ocean.
C) Exhaust from cars in Europe.
D) Particles emitted by power plants.
2. A) They need to be taken seriously.
B) They have a huge effect on fishery.
C) They might be causing trouble to air flights.
D) They may be affecting the world's climate.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) To appeal for higher wages.
B) To demand better health care.
C) To call for a permanent security guard.
D) To dismiss the bad-tempered supervisor.
4. A) It had already taken strong action.
B) It would put customers' needs first.
C) It would take their appeal seriously.
D) It was seeking help from the police.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) The road was flooded.
B) The road was blocked.
C) The road was frozen with snow.
D) The road was covered with spilled gas.
6. A) A truck plunged into a pool of liquid chocolate.
B) The heavy snow made driving very difficult.

- C) The truck driver dozed off while driving.
- D) A truck hit a barrier and overturned.
- 7. A) It was a long time before the cleanup was finished.
- B) It was a hard task to remove the spilled substance.
- C) It was fortunate that no passenger got injured.
- D) It was difficult to contact the manufacturer.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) She wanted to save for a new phone.
- B) She found it much safer to use cash.
- C) She could enjoy discounts with cash.
- D) She had been cheated using phone apps.
- 9. A) They can save a lot more time and trouble.
- B) They find it less difficult to make purchases.
- C) They derive greater pleasure from buying things.
- D) They are less aware of the value of their money.
- 10. A) More valuable items.
- B) More non-essential things.
- C) Everyday necessities.
- D) Electronic devices.
- 11. A) It can improve shopping efficiency.
- B) It is altering the way of shopping.
- C) It may lead to excessive spending.
- D) It appeals more to younger people.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) He wanted to order some wooden furniture.
- B) He had to change the furniture delivery time.
- C) He had a problem with the furniture delivered.
- D) He wanted the furniture store to give him a refund.
- 13. A) Send the furniture back to the store.
- B) Describe the furniture he received.

- C) Collect the furniture he ordered.
- D) Buy another brand of furniture.
- 14. A) Correct their mistake.
- B) Improve their service.
- C) Apologize to his wife.
- D) Give the money back.
- 15. A) She recommended a new style.
- B) She offered some gift to the man.
- C) She apologized to the man once more.
- D) She checked all the items with the man.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Reading books of wisdom.
- B) Tidying up one's home.
- C) Sharing with others.
- D) Donating to charity.
- 17. A) Things that make one happy.
- B) Things that are becoming rare.
- C) Things that occupy little space.
- D) Things that cost a lot of money.
- 18. A) It joined the city's clean-up campaign.
- B) It sold as many as fifty boxes of books.
- C) It received an incredibly large number of donated books.
- D) It did little business because of the unusual cold weather.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) Give free meals to the homeless.
- B) Provide shelter for the homeless.
- C) Help the vulnerable to cook lunches.
- D) Call for change in the local government.
- 20. A) Strengthen co-operation.
- B) Promote understanding.
- C) Win national support.

- D) Follow his example.
- 21. A) Spreading news of his deeds.
- B) Writing him thank-you notes.
- C) Following the example he sets.
- D) Sending him hand-made bags.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. A) To solve word search puzzles.
- B) To send smartphone messages.
- C) To test their eyesight using a phone app.
- D) To install some audio equipment in a lab.
- 23. A) They could not go on until the ringing stopped.
- B) They could no longer concentrate on their task.
- C) They grabbed the phone and called back right away.
- D) They asked their experimenter to hang up the phone.
- 24. A) A rise in emotional problems.
- B) A decline in sports activities.
- C) A reduction in the amount of sleep.
- D) A decline in academic performance.
- 25. A) Protect the eyesight of the younger generation.
- B) Take effective measures to raise productivity.
- C) Realize the disruptive effects of technology.
- D) Ensure they have sufficient sleep every day.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

A NASA satellite orbiting over Portugal took photographs that reveal the effects of pollution from ships. One of the photos shows a thin film of clouds above the brilliant blue of the North Atlantic, cut by white lines of thicker clouds that look like scars. NASA officials explained those thicker clouds are signs of ship traffic below. When ships power their ways through the ocean, they pump exhaust into the atmosphere, just as cars do. And those massive amounts of particles can cause clouds to form. Get enough of those particles in one place, as from the exhaust of a ship, and they can lead to the creation of new clouds easily visible from space. "These clouds can be huge, some of them stretch hundreds of kilometers from end to end", NASA officials said. It's likely that these sorts of clouds are having some effect on the global climate, according to NASA officials. But scientists aren't yet sure what effect it has.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

- 1. What has caused the thick clouds in the photos taken by a NASA satellite?

2. What do NASA officials think about the thick clouds?

News Report 2 □□□□□

Staff at a suburban supermarket in Melbourne say they feel unsafe at work after security guards were removed. This came after a series of physical attacks and verbal abuse by customers. More than 50 workers at the store have signed a letter calling for a permanent security guard following a series of incidents, including a customer threatening to attack a supervisor with a knife. "A security worker had guarded the store each night from 7pm until 12am, but that had stopped suddenly on Monday," employees said. One worker said an angry customer had thrown a chicken at his head after complaining about how long she had waited to be served. Another worker said the lack of protection at the store made her feel uncomfortable at work. However, the spokesman of the supermarket said the store had taken strong action in response to incidents, "We have found very few instances of bad customer behavior at our store in the past year. In the rare cases we have seen bad behavior, we have taken strong action in response, including banning a customer from the store."

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. For what purpose, did the staff at the supermarket in Melbourne sign a letter?

4. What did the spokesman of the supermarket say, regarding the employees' demand?

News Report 3 □□□□

Drivers on their way to the polish capital of Warsaw on Wednesday morning found the road blocked by an unusual obstacle. Tons of liquid chocolate that spilled onto the motorway. A truck carrying the sweet load hit a road barrier and overturned, blocking two lanes. The cracked tank spilled a pool of a rapidly hardening chocolate, which quickly covered the width of the road, while the driver was taken to hospital with a broken arm, firefighters struggled to remove a reported 12 tons of solid chocolate from the road. A representative for the firefighters told the local TV that removing the chocolate was worse than dealing with snow. After contacting the chocolate manufacturer, the firefighters resorted to spraying hot, pressurized water to get rid of the sticky substance. The local TV also noted that the cleanup spanned more than a mile because drivers simply drove through the chocolate after the crash, leaving a long chocolate trail. But despite the sticky situation, firefighters and police attending to the cleanup were reportedly cheerful about the long task ahead. After all, who could be mad about 12 tons of chocolate?

Questions five to seven are based on the news report you have just heard:

5. What does drivers on the motorway to Warsaw find?

6. What does the report say about the accident?
7. What are the firefighters representative tell the local TV?

Conversation 1 □□□□

M: Lisa, why did you pay for you meal with cash instead of the payment apps on your phone?

Lisa: Well, I've gone back to cash. I'm only using payment apps if that's the only option. I'm trying to save money for a new phone, and I find that using cash rather than payment apps helps me to save.

M: But how? Money is money, isn't it? I don't think it matters whether you take it out to the bank and put it into wallet, or simply transfer from your bank account to the sellers' bank account using an app.

Lisa: No, I believe it does matter. It's a psychological phenomenon. I believe we have less connection with a value of our money, when we just tap the approve buttons on our phones.

M: You might have a point, since I stop carrying cash around, and start to using my phone apps to pay, I may have developed a tendency to buy more small or non-essential items.

Lisa: That's highly possible, think about the amount of time we spend with our phones in our hands, and all the things we do with our phones. It sometimes seems that our phone is buying the product for us, not ourselves.

M: So, cash is the payment affects our ability to budget?

Lisa: I believe so. If we spend a hundred Yuan in cash, we realize that we don't have that hundred Yuan to spend on something else. But if we spend in electronically, we're less likely to make that mental calculation.

M: I stopped using my credit card because I'm fond of spending excessively. Perhaps I should take the same approach of paying using my phone.

Lisa: It's worth considering.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. Why did the woman decide to go back to cash for payment?
9. What happens when people use apps for payment according to the woman?
10. What might the man tend to buy with payment apps?
11. What does the man think of electronic payment?

Conversation 2 □□□□□□

W: Hello Mr. Brown. I was expecting your call. My secretary told me you were having some problems with the wooden table, is that right?

Brown: No, no, the table is fine. The problem is the chairs.

W: Oh, the chairs, so, what exactly is the issue?

Brown: Well, put simply, these are not the chairs my wife and I selected in your store last week. There must be some confusion with our order.

W: Oh, I see. I'm looking through my files now. And I see that the delivery was this morning. Is that correct?

Brown: Yes.

W: Do you mind describing the chairs that were delivered to your apartment, Mr. Brown?

Brown: Sure. These have a flat back with a round top and are very heavy. They are light brown and look kind of cheap. The ones we ordered were dark brown to match the table.

W: Right. Of course. It says here you purchased the Arlington table and four Milano chairs. As you said. There must be some confusion with the order. I'm terribly sorry. We'll send a van to collect those four and replace them with the Milano you purchased. Will tomorrow 9 a.m. be OK Mr. Brown?

Brown: Yes. That would be great. Thank you.

W: Good. Did everything else you ordered from us arrive OK?

Brown: Yes. I think so. Let me check. The mirror and two paintings are here. The two coffee tables are also here. And the sofa. Yes. We haven't noticed anything else wrong or missing. But if we do, we'll certainly let you know.

W: OK. Great. Once again, I'm sorry for the confusion and trouble caused.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. Why did the man call the woman?
13. What did the woman ask the man to do?
14. What did the woman promise to do for the man?
15. What did the woman do at the end of the conversation?

Passage 1 □□□□□□□□

Do you have too much stuff? Are you dare we say it "untidy"? Say hello to a TV show called "Tidying Up with Marie Kondo". A home improvement show based on her widely popular book *The Life Changing Magic of Tidying Up*. In the show, Marie Kondo acts as a tiny garbage fairy for messy people, visiting their houses to share the wisdom of the "KonMari" method. This method is simple in theory but can be endlessly complex in practice. You divide all the stuff in your house – all of it – into several categories, and then examine each item -- all of them – to see if it sparks joy. If it does, you keep it. If it doesn't, you thank it, and neatly discard it. So, is the TV show inspiring people to tidy up? Firsthand accounts seem to indicate a small wave of people bringing piles of donation bags to used good stores. One store received thousands of bags of used possessions in one day. January is usually the store's slow season for donations, because it's cold and people don't want to bother. But not this January, people seemed determined to clean up their homes. One used bookstore received a month's worth of books in donations in a week when a man gave over 50 boxes of books from his home. It seems Marie's TV show is having a big impact after all.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What is Marie Kondo's TV show about?
17. What things can be kept in one's home, according to Marie Kondo?
18. What do we learn about one used bookstore this January?

Passage 2 □□□□□□□□

At just 12 years old, Mike Hannon is making a difference in his community. One lunch at a time, Mike's lunches of love has fed more than 2000 of the town's most vulnerable residents. Mike delivers meals to the homeless. "It's like a way to give people joy, maybe spark something in them that can change them, Mike told WBCTV. The mayor of Mike's town feels that Mike is a great community leader, especially in such times of so much negative news, while his father commented on how proud he was of his son. Yet, Mike isn't looking for praise but kindness in return. He hopes his acts of charity will influence others to spread positive actions in their own towns. Mike includes a handwritten message of joy on each bag. His message and star power has spread all over the country. To date, his online page to raise funds has brought in more than 44,000 dollars in a county, raising more than 17,000 dollars in just one day with the help of many famous actors and others. People from all over the country are sending special handcrafted bags to help the young man with his mission to help those in need. Many are hoping the simple act of kindness spreads, like is seen as hope for the future of the town, the country, and the world.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What does Mike Hannon do to help people in his town?
20. What does Mike hope others will do?
21. How are people all over country responding to what Mike is doing?

Passage 3 □□□□□□

In a recent study carried out by psychologists on the disruptive effects of smart phones, two groups of college students were given word-search puzzles. The first group was told to complete the puzzles with its participants' smart phones in their line of sight. The second group, however, was told that the phones would interfere with the equipment in the experiment and would need be moved away from the testing area. Midway through the second group's solving of the puzzles, the experiment called one of the phones and let it ring for a while before hanging up. Many of the students in that group were unable to focus from then on, becoming anxious and performing more poorly than the first group. Use of electronics has also been known to lead to a decline in human interactions. Rather than having real-life conversations, many express emotions and engage in deep conversations through social media sites. Many students use their phones and computers during class for non-academic activities, which leads to poor grades. Perhaps the most dramatic impact is the reduction in amount of sleep, which lead to poor health and weight gain. Technology is a great tool. However, it's important to recognize its downsides. Lack of sleep, reduction of productivity, and weight gain are only a few. If we are not careful about all these mind problems right now, the effect on the future generation is going to be much bigger.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What were the college students in both groups required to do in the study?
23. What do we learn about many of the students in the second test group after the phone ring?
24. According to the passage, what is the most dramatic impact of smart phone use?
25. What does the speaker suggest people do?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) A deadly fish has been spotted in the Mediterranean waters.
B) Invasive species are driving away certain native species.
C) The Mediterranean is a natural habitat of Devil Firefish.
D) Many people have been attacked by Devil Firefish.
2. A) It could add to greenhouse emissions.
B) It could disrupt the food chains there.
C) It could pose a threat to other marine species.
D) It could badly pollute the surrounding water.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) Cars will not be allowed to enter the city.
B) About half of the city center will be closed to cars.
C) Buses will be the only vehicles allowed on its streets.
D) Pedestrians will have free access to the city.
4. A) The rising air pollution in Paris.
B) The worsening global warming.
C) The ever-growing cost of petrol.
D) The unbearable traffic noise.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) Many of his possessions were stolen.
B) His house was burnt down in a fire.
C) His fishing boat got wrecked on a rock.
D) His good luck charm sank into the sea.
6. A) Change his fishing locations.
B) Find a job in a travel agency.

- C) Spend a few nights on a small island.
- D) Sell the pearl he had kept for years.
- 7. A) A New York museum has the world's biggest pearl.
- B) The largest pearl in the world weighs 14 pounds.
- C) His monstrous pearl was extremely valuable.
- D) His pearl could be displayed in a museum.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) It boasts a fairly long history.
- B) It has over 50 business partners.
- C) It has 75 offices around the world.
- D) It produces construction materials.
- 9. A) It was started by his father.
- B) It has about 50 employees.
- C) It is over 100 years old.
- D) It is a family business.
- 10. A) Outdated product design.
- B) Loss of competitive edge.
- C) Shortage of raw material supply.
- D) Legal disputes in many countries.
- 11. A) Introducing innovative marketing strategies.
- B) Seeking new ways to increase its exports.
- C) Providing training for its staff members.
- D) Conducting a financial analysis for it.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) She is a real expert at house decorations.
- B) She is really impressed by the man's house.
- C) She is well informed about the design business.
- D) She is attracted by the color of the sitting room.
- 13. A) From a construction businessman.
- B) From his younger brother Greg.

- C) From home design magazines.
- D) From a professional interior designer.
- 14. A) The cost was affordable.
- B) The style was fashionable.
- C) The effort was worthwhile.
- D) The effect was unexpected.
- 15. A) She'd like him to talk with Jonathan about a new project.
- B) She'd like to show him around her newly-renovated house.
- C) She wants to discuss the house decoration budget with him.
- D) She wants him to share his renovation experience with her.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Paying hospital bills for emergency cases.
- B) Doing research on ear, nose and throat diseases.
- C) Removing objects from patients' noses and ears.
- D) Providing routine care for small children.
- 17. A) Children aged one to four are often more curious than older children.
- B) Five- to nine-year-olds are the most likely to put things in their ears.
- C) Many children like to put foreign objects in their mouths.
- D) Many children like to smell things they find or play with.
- 18. A) They want to attract attention.
- B) They tend to act out of impulse.
- C) They are unaware of the potential risks.
- D) They are curious about these body parts.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) It gave her a used bicycle.
- B) It paid for her English lessons.
- C) It delivered her daily necessities.
- D) It provided her with physical therapy.
- 20. A) Expanding bike-riding lessons.
- B) Providing free public transport.
- C) Offering walking tours to visitors.

D) Asking local people for donations.

21. A) It is a sports club.

B) It is a language school.

C) It is a counseling center.

D) It is a charity organization.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) How animals deal with lack of gravity.

B) How mice interact in a new environment.

C) How low gravity affects the human body.

D) How mice imitate human behavior in space.

23. A) They found the space in the cage too small to stay in.

B) They found it difficult to figure out where they were.

C) They were not used to the low-gravity environment.

D) They were not sensitive to the changed environment.

24. A) They continued to behave as they did in the beginning.

B) They already felt at home in the new environment.

C) They had found a lot more activities to engage in.

D) They tried everything possible to escape from the cage.

25. A) They changed their routines in space.

B) They began to eat less after some time.

C) They behaved as if they were on Earth.

D) They repeated their activities every day.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

A poisonous fish which has a sting strong enough to kill a human is invading the Mediterranean, warned scientists. The International Union for the Conservation of Nature has raised concerns after the poisonous fish was spotted in the water around Turkey, Cyprus and the eastern Mediterranean. Native to the South Pacific and Indian Ocean, the potentially deadly fish has poisonous hooks and a painful sting capable of killing people. Although fatalities are rare, the stings can cause extreme pain and stop people breathing. The fish, often known as Devil Firefish, is a highly invasive species. And environmentalists fear its arrival could endanger other types of marine life. After being spotted in the Mediterranean, a marine scientist says, "The fish is spreading, and that's a cause for concern."

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What is reported in the news?

2. What is the environmentalists' concern about the spread of Devil Firefish in

the Mediterranean?

News Report 2 □□□□□□□□

Almost half the center of Paris will be accessible only by foot or bicycle this Sunday to mark World Car-Free Day. This is in response to rising air pollution that made Paris the most polluted city in the world for a brief time. Mayor Anne Hidalgo promoted the first World Car Free Day last year. Hidalgo also has supported a Paris Breathes Day. On the first Sunday of every month, Paris clears traffic from eight lanes of the main road. About 400 miles of streets will be closed to cars. It is expected to bring significant reduction in pollution levels. "Last year's car-free day showed a 40% drop in pollution levels in some parts of the city, according to an independent air pollution monitor", reports the Guardian, "and sound levels dropped by 50% in the city center."

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What will happen on World Car Free Day in Paris?
4. What motivated the mayor of Paris to promote the first World Car Free Day in her city?

News Report 3 □□□□□□□□

A Philippine fisherman was feeling down on his luck when a housefire forced him to clear out his possessions and change locations. Then, a good luck charm that he had kept under his bed changed his life. The unidentified man had fished out a giant pearl from the ocean when his anchor got stuck on the rock while sailing off a coastal island in the Philippines ten years ago. When he was forced to sell it, the shocked tourist agent at Puerto Princesa told him that the 77-pound giant pearl that he had kept hidden in his rundown wooden house was the biggest pearl in the world, which was valued at 76 million pounds. The pearl of Allah, which is currently on display in a New York museum, only weighs 14 pounds. That is five times smaller than the pearl that the fisherman just handed in. The monstrous pearl, measured at 1 foot wide and 2.2 feet long, is going to be verified by local experts and international authorities before hopefully going on display to attract more tourists in the little town.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What happened to the Philippine fisherman one day?
6. What was the fisherman forced to do?
7. What did the fisherman learn from the tourist agent?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□

W: Mr. Smith, it's a pleasure meeting you.

Smith: Nice to meet you, too. What can I do for you?

W: Well, I'm here to show you what our firm can do for you. Astra Consultants has branches in over 50 countries, offering different business services. We are a global company with 75 years of history, and our clients include some of the

world's largest companies.

Smith: Thank you, Mrs. Houston. I know Astra Consultants is a famous company. But you said you would show me what you could do for me. Well, what exactly can your firm do for my company?

W: We advise businesses on all matters, from market analysis to legal issues, anything a business like yours could need. Our firm offers expert advice. Could I ask you, Mr. Smith, to tell me a little about your company and the challenges you face? That way I could better respond as to how we can help you.

Smith: Okay, sure. This is a family business started by my grandfather in 1950. We employ just over 100 people. We manufacture and export stone for buildings and other constructions. Our clients usually want a special kind of stone cut in a special design. And that's what we do in our factory. Our main challenge is that our national currency is rising, and we're losing competitive advantage to stone producers in India.

W: I see. That's very interesting. I would suggest that you let us first conduct a financial analysis of your company, together with an analysis of your competitors in India. That way we could offer the best advice on different ways forward for you.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What do we learn about the woman's company?
9. What does the man say about his own company?
10. What is the main problem with the man's company?
11. What does the woman suggest doing to help the man's company?

Conversation 2 □□□□□□

W: Wow, congratulations, Simon! The place looks absolutely amazing!

Simon: Really? You think so?

W: Of course. I love it. It looks like you had a professional interior designer. But you didn't, did you?

Simon: No. I did it all by myself with a little help from my brother Greg. He's actually in the construction business, which was really helpful.

W: I honestly am impressed. I know I could probably repaint the walls in my house over a weekend or something, but not a full renovation. Where did you get your ideas? I wouldn't know where to start.

Simon: Well, for a while now, I've been regularly buying home design magazines. Every now and then, I'd save a picture I liked. Believe it or not, I had a full notebook of magazine pages. Since my overall style was quite minimal, I thought and hoped a whole renovation wouldn't be too difficult. And sure enough, with Greg's help, it was very achievable.

W: Was it very expensive? I've imagined a project like this could be.

Simon: Actually it was surprisingly affordable. I managed to sell a lot of my old furniture and put that extra money towards the new material. Greg was also able to get some discount materials from a recent project he was working on.

as well.

W: Great. If you don't mind, I'd like to pick your brains, a bit more. Jonathan and I are thinking of renovating our sitting room, not the whole house, not yet anyway. And we'd love to get some inspiration from your experience. Are you free to come over for a coffee early next week?

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What do we learn about the woman from the conversation?
13. Where did the man get his ideas from the project?
14. What did the man say about the project he recently completed?
15. What does the woman invite the man to her house next week?

Passage 1 □□□□□□□□□□

Removing foreign objects from ears and noses costs England almost three million pounds a year, a study suggests. Children were responsible for the vast majority of cases--95% of objects removed from noses and 85% from ears. Every year an average of 1,218 nose and 2,479 ear removals took place between 2010 and 2016. According to England's Hospital Episode Statistics, children aged one to four were the most likely to need help from doctors for a foreign object in their nose. Five- to nine-year-olds come to the hospital with something in their ears the most. Jewellery items accounted for up to 40% of cases in both the ears and noses of children. Paper and plastic toys were the items removed next most from noses. Cotton buds and pencils were also found in ears. According to the study, the occurrence of foreign objects in children is generally attributed to curiosity. Children have an impulse to explore their noses and ears. This resulted in the accidental entry of foreign objects. Any ear, nose and throat surgeon has many weird stories about wonderful objects found in the noses and ears of children and adults. Batteries can pose a particular danger. In all cases prevention is better than cure. This is why many toys contain warnings about small parts. Recognizing problems early and seeking medical attention is important.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What does England spend an annual three million pounds on?
17. What do we learn from England's Hospital Episode Statistics?
18. What is generally believed to account for children putting things in their ears or noses?

Passage 2 □□□□□□□□

Good morning. Today, I would like to talk to you about my charity ReBicycle. But before that, let me introduce someone. This is Liella Rahimi. She was so scared when she first moved to New Zealand that she struggled to leave the house and would spend days working up the courage to walk to the supermarket for basic supplies. After a few months of being quite down and unhappy, she was invited to join a local bike club. At this time, ReBicycle got

involved and gave Leila a second-hand bicycle. Within weeks, her depression had begun to ease as she cycled. The bicycle totally changed her life, giving her hope and a true feeling of freedom. To date, ReBicycle has donated more than 200-bikes to those in need, and is now expanding bike-riding lessons as demand soars. With a bike, newcomers here can travel farther but for almost no cost. The three hours a day, they used to spend walking to and from English language lessons, has been reduced to just one hour. Our bike-riding lessons are so successful that we are urgently looking for more volunteers. Learning to ride a bike is almost always more difficult for an adult, and this can take days and weeks, rather than hours. So if any of you have some free time during the weekend, please come join us at ReBicycle and make a difference in someone's life.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What did ReBicycle do to help Liella Rahimi?
20. What is ReBicycle doing to help those in need?
21. What do we learn from the passage about ReBicycle?

Passage 3 □□□□□□□□

Thanks to the International Space Station, we know quite a bit about the effects of low gravity on the human body, but NASA scientists want to learn more. To that end, they have been studying how other species deal with low gravity, specifically focusing on mice. The results are both interesting and humorous. The scientists first sent some mice in a specially designed cage to the International Space Station. The cage allowed them to study the behavior of the mice remotely from Earth via video. As you'll notice in the video, the mice definitely seem uncomfortable at the beginning of the experiment. They move around clumsily, drifting within the small confines of the cage, and do their best to figure out which way is up, but without success. However, it's not long before the mice begin to catch on. They adapt remarkably well to their new environment and even use the lack of gravity to their advantage as they push themselves around the cage. That's when things really get wild. The eleventh day of the experiment shows the mice are not just dealing with the gravity change but actually seem to be enjoying it. Several of the mice are observed running around the cage walls. The scientists wanted to see whether the mice would continue doing the same kinds of activities they were observed doing on Earth. The study showed that the mice kept much of their routines intact, including cleaning themselves and eating when hungry.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What do NASA scientists want to learn about?
23. What does the passage say about the mice at the beginning of the experiment?
24. What was observed about the mouse on the eleventh day of the experiment?
25. What did the scientists find about the mice from the experiment?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) He wanted to buy a home.
B) He suffered from a shock.
C) He lost a huge sum of money.
D) He did an unusual good deed.
2. A) Invite the waiter to a fancy dinner.
B) Tell her story to the Daily News.
C) Give some money to the waiter.
D) Pay the waiter's school tuition.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) Whether or not to move to the state's mainland.
B) How to keep the village from sinking into the sea.
C) Where to get the funds for rebuilding their village.
D) What to do about the rising level of the seawater.
4. A) It takes too long a time.
B) It costs too much money.
C) It has to wait for the state's final approval.
D) It faces strong opposition from many villagers.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) To investigate whether people are grateful for help.
B) To see whether people hold doors open for strangers.
C) To explore ways of inducing gratitude in people.
D) To find out how people express gratitude.
6. A) They induced strangers to talk with them.
B) They helped 15 to 20 people in a bad mood.

- C) They held doors open for people at various places.
- D) They interviewed people who didn't say thank you.
- 7. A) People can be educated to be grateful.
- B) Most people express gratitude for help.
- C) Most people have bad days now and then.
- D) People are ungrateful when in a bad mood.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) To order a solar panel installation.
- B) To report a serious leak in his roof.
- C) To enquire about solar panel installations.
- D) To complain about the faulty solar panels.
- 9. A) He plans to install solar panels.
- B) He owns a four-bedroom house.
- C) He saves \$300 a year.
- D) He has a large family.
- 10. A) The service of the solar panel company.
- B) The cost of a solar panel installation.
- C) The maintenance of the solar panels.
- D) The quality of the solar panels.
- 11. A) One year and a half.
- B) Less than four years.
- C) Roughly six years.
- D) About five years.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) At a travel agency.
- B) At an Australian airport.
- C) At an airline transfer service.
- D) At a local transportation authority.
- 13. A) She would be able to visit more scenic spots.
- B) She wanted to save as much money as possible.

- C) She would like to have everything taken care of.
- D) She wanted to spend more time with her family.
- 14. A) Four days.
- B) Five days.
- C) One week.
- D) Two weeks.
- 15. A) Choosing some activities herself.
- B) Spending Christmas with Australians.
- C) Driving along the Great Ocean Road.
- D) Learning more about wine making.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Bring their own bags when shopping.
- B) Use public transport when traveling.
- C) Dispose of their trash properly.
- D) Pay a green tax upon arrival.
- 17. A) It has not been doing a good job in recycling.
- B) It has witnessed a rise in accidental drowning.
- C) It has not attracted many tourists in recent years.
- D) It has experienced an overall decline in air quality.
- 18. A) To charge a small fee on plastic products in supermarkets.
- B) To ban single-use plastic bags and straws on Bali Island.
- C) To promote the use of paper bags for shopping.
- D) To impose a penalty on anyone caught littering.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) It gives birth to several babies at a time.
- B) It is the least protected mammal species.
- C) Its breeding grounds are now better preserved.
- D) Its population is now showing signs of increase.
- 20. A) Global warming.
- B) Polluted seawaters.
- C) Commercial hunting.

- D) Decreasing birthrates.
- 21. A) To mate.
- B) To look for food.
- C) To escape hunters.
- D) To seek breeding grounds.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. A) They prefer to drink low-fat milk.
- B) They think milk is good for health.
- C) They consume less milk these days.
- D) They buy more milk than the British.
- 23. A) It is not as healthy as once thought.
- B) It is not easy to stay fresh for long.
- C) It benefits the elderly more.
- D) It tends to make people fat.
- 24. A) They drink too many pints every day.
- B) They are sensitive to certain minerals.
- C) They lack the necessary proteins to digest it.
- D) They have eaten food incompatible with milk.
- 25. A) It is easier for sick people to digest.
- B) It provides some necessary nutrients.
- C) It is healthier than other animal products.
- D) It supplies the body with enough calories.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

A waiter has returned a check worth nearly \$424,000 to the retired social worker who lost it. The waiter found a bank envelope while cleaning off a table last Saturday at a restaurant. He ran outside but the customer was gone. He opened the envelope and got a shock. After an unsuccessful search, the restaurant's owner called the Daily News for help. The "relieved" customer was reunited with her check on Wednesday. It contained money from her apartment sale, already planned for a down payment on a new home. The customer did not tip the waiter after her meal. She tried to give him money later on, but he graciously declined. The waiter, who's working his way through school, did accept the customer's apology and gratitude and said he was happy to have helped her.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What does the news report say about the waiter?
2. What did the customer try to do when she got her check back?

News Report 2 □□□□, □□□□

The village of Maref in Alaska voted on Tuesday to move to the state's mainland. The move is due to global warming and rising sea levels. Most of the village's 169 registered voters took part in the town hall meeting. They decided in a vote of 89 to 78 to move from their land on Sarichef Island, near the Arctic Circle. Maref Council Secretary Donna Bar said the vote was largely symbolic. It will be costly financially to the community. "About 15 years ago, they estimated the cost at \$180 million. I would figure it's much higher now," Bar said. "We don't see the move happening in our life time because of the funding." The village's roughly 650 residents have seen warming temperatures melt sea ice and permanently frozen land. This has resulted in houses falling into the water. At least 31 villages in Alaska face "immediate threats" due to climate change, the Government Accountability Office reported in 2009.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What is Maref's vote on Tuesday about?
4. What did Donna Bar say they wouldn't see the plan carried out any time soon?

News Report 3 □□□□□□

A man in Halifax, Canada, wanted to find out if people were thankful for someone holding the door open for them. The social experiment showed that 99 out of 100 people expressed gratitude. "I didn't think we were going to get 99. I don't know why, but I was pleasantly surprised because it went beyond just "thank you." People got into conversations with us," said Steve Foran, CEO of Gratitude at Work. "What we know from research is that from grateful people come good things," he said. "A simple way to induce gratitude in people is opening doors and so we went to six places and opened the doors for people." For the experiment, Foran's team went to a shopping center, a mall, two office buildings, and a coffee shop. The door was held for 15 to 20 people at a time at each location. "We did have one that didn't say thank you. We're not here to judge them because on any given day, that could be me or you. I suspect out of the 100 people, there were probably a bunch of them having a bad day, but grateful people make people grateful," said Foran.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What is the purpose of the social experiment?
6. What did Steve Foran and his team do in the experiment?
7. What do we learn from the news report?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□□□

Lisa: Rays Solar. Lisa's speaking. How can I help?

Winston: Hi, my name is Winston. I wish to enquire about solar panel installations.

Lisa: Yes. What would you like to know?

Winston: Well. My neighbor installed panels on his roof about a year ago in order to power his hot water. He tells me it has saved him over \$ 500 thus far. Does that sound about right to you?

Lisa: Well. I'm not familiar with your neighbor or his particular setup, but that amount is definitely possible. I can tell you that the average four-bedroom house may typically have a roof with 50 square meters of surface area. Four panels on one side of that roof could save a family of four around \$300 a year.

Winston: OK. That sounds about right then. My house is about the size you described, but my neighbor's is bigger. I'm not sure how many panels he has up there, but he does have a large family of six.

Lisa: Are you interested in installing some solar panels on your roof, sir?

Winston: Yes, I'm considering it.

Lisa: If you wish to come into our office, we could show you the different solutions we offer.

Winston: OK. I might do that. But just quickly, if you don't mind, could you tell me approximately how much a typical installation costs, like, say, four panels?

Lisa: Prices do vary depending on different factors, but as a rough estimate, it's around \$2,000. But you know a typical household will make back that initial investment in about five years.

Winston: OK. I see. Thank you.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What is the man's purpose for calling the woman?

9. What do we learn about the man's neighbor from the conversation?

10. What is one of the man's chief concerns?

11. How long it will take a typical household to make back the initial investment?

Conversation 2 □□□□

M: Good afternoon. Sorry to have kept you waiting. How can I help you?

W: Oh, no problem. I'm interested in booking a holiday to Australia and wonder if you could tell me what deals you have.

M: Sure. Are you only looking for flights or a package holiday with everything included?

W: When you say "everything," what do you mean?

M: Well, a package holiday would include your flights, hotels, meals, day trips to different places of interest and transport to and from the airport.

W: Yeah, that sounds pretty good. I'm going with my family, so it would be nice to have everything taken care of. So, what sort of deals do you have for package holidays then?

M: All sorts, really. How long do you want to go for and what dates?

W: Two weeks around Christmas time would be great.

M: Okay, let me check that for you. Here's one, 14 nights in south-eastern Australia. Five nights in Sydney and five nights in Melbourne, and then for the

other four nights you can choose from a list of trips to other places nearby. You could visit Canberra, for example, or the Blue Mountains, or you could go for a drive down the Great Ocean Road. Also, if you're interested in wine, you could go on a tour of the places where they grow grapes and make wine.

W: That sounds great. It's good we can choose some activities ourselves.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. Where is the conversation taking place?
13. Why is the woman interested in package holidays?
14. How long does the woman want to go for the holiday?
15. What does the woman say she likes about the holiday package?

Passage 1 □□□□

Tourists taking a holiday in the Indonesian island of Bali are facing a new \$14-per-person tax when they arrive on the holiday island from next year. But this is a green tax, which Bali Governor Wayan Koster has been working on for months, and which is designed to help clean up the island's natural environment, and with good reason, too. Indonesia is drowning in plastics. Recycling is not one of the country's strong points. It's not uncommon to be offered many more plastic bags than one could ever need when visiting supermarkets and shopping malls. But, slowly, things are starting to change for the better. Back in 2016, the medium-sized city of Banjarmasin banned single-use plastic bags. The city of Bogor followed suit in 2018. A few months ago Koster announced a plan that would not only ban single-use plastic bags from supermarkets and convenience stores, but plastic bags and straws across the island. The regulation will come into full effect next month. "We received a fast and quick response from the Balinese people. Not only positive responses from the Balinese, we received good responses from the central government, other local governments and even from overseas." Koster told the Sydney Morning Herald this week during an interview. The governor is a determined environmentalist and he has more laws planned to protect the island's waterways, in particular, and to support the introduction of electric vehicles too.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What would tourists have to do when they visit Indonesia's Bali Island?
17. What does the passage say about Indonesia?
18. What is the new plan Governor Koster recently announced?

Passage 2 □□□□

An endangered species of whale is experiencing a small-baby boom off the coast of America. The North Atlantic right whale is one of the rarest species of whale on the planet, numbering only about 411. But the Center for Coastal Studies said Friday that its aerial survey team spotted a mum with two babies in Cape Cod Bay a day earlier. That brings the number seen in nearby waters

alone this year to three. That's big news because the whale population has been falling, and no baby whales were seen last year. In all, seven baby whales have been spotted so far this year. The whale population has become endangered due to commercial whaling activities in recent years. This is because they are sometimes hunted for their meat or their skin. Over-hunting could lead to the disappearance of the whale population, possibly causing major problems to the global food chain. The whales give birth off the Southeast Coast of America in the winter and travel to feeding grounds off the Northeast Coast in the early spring. The Northeast Coast is a critically important source of food. The animals often feed close to shore. This provides watchers on land with "unbeatable views of one of the rarest of marine mammals." It's illegal to get within 1,500 feet of the animals without a federal research permit, so whale watchers are discouraged from attempting to get close to the whales.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What do we learn from the passage about the North Atlantic right whale?
20. What has caused the decline of the whale population in recent years?
21. Why do whales travel to the Northeast Coast of America in the early spring?

Passage 3 □□□□□□□□

An average person consumes 144 pints of milk a year, but 40% of that is poured onto cereal. And 60% of those people are children. But what was once advertised as nutritious is becoming unpopular. Americans drink 37% less milk than they did in the 1970s. And in the UK, dairy consumption overall has fallen by a third in the past 20 years. Milk is increasingly being described in a negative light. A recent blog suggested maybe people are drinking less milk because it is poisonous to many of us. Lactose is the sugar found in milk and dairy products. It needs a series of complex proteins to break it down. Without enough of these proteins, the lactose is broken down by bacteria in the human body. This can cause physical pain and produce gas in the stomach. However, after we have finished breast or formula feeding, most of us don't continue producing the complex proteins in our body, which are necessary to break down the lactose. Despite the problems in digesting milk, it does provide many benefits. Milk is nutritious. It contains vitamins A and D, as well as protein and isn't full of calories. You can test yourself by drinking a large glass of milk. If you get sick in your stomach within the next 24 hours, you are lacking in the proteins to digest milk.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What does the passage say about Americans?
23. How do Americans and British people think of milk nowadays?
24. Why does drinking milk cause pain in some people?
25. What does the passage say is a benefit of milk?

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Section A

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Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) Enrol him in a Newcastle football club.
B) Send him to an after-school art class.
C) Forbid him to draw in his workbook.
D) Help him post his drawings online.
2. A) Contacted Joe to decorate its dining-room.
B) Hired Joe to paint all the walls of its buildings.
C) Renovated its kitchen and all the dining-rooms.
D) Asked Joe for permission to use his online drawings.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) Get her pet dog back.
B) Beg for help from the police.
C) Identify the suspect on the security video.
D) Post pictures of her pet dog on social media.
4. A) It is suffering a great deal from the incident.
B) It is helping the police with the investigation.
C) It is bringing the case to the local district court.
D) It is offering a big reward to anyone who helps.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) Provide free meals to the local poor.
B) Help people connect with each other.
C) Help eliminate class difference in his area.
D) Provide customers with first-class service.
6. A) It does not supervise its employees.
B) It donates regularly to a local charity.

- C) It does not use volunteers.
- D) It is open round the clock.
- 7. A) They will realise the importance of communication.
- B) They will come to the cafe even more frequently.
- C) They will care less about their own background.
- D) They will find they have something in common.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) A surprise party for Paul's birthday.
- B) Travel plans for the coming weekend.
- C) Preparations for Saturday's get-together.
- D) The new market on the other side of town.
- 9. A) It makes the hostess's job a whole lot easier.
- B) It enables guests to walk around and chat freely.
- C) It saves considerable time and labor.
- D) It requires fewer tables and chairs.
- 10. A) It offers some big discounts.
- B) It is quite close to her house.
- C) It is more spacious and less crowded.
- D) It sells local wines and soft drinks.
- 11. A) Cook a dish for the party.
- B) Arrive 10 minutes earlier.
- C) Prepare a few opening remarks.
- D) Bring his computer and speakers.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) For commuting to work.
- B) For long-distance travel.
- C) For getting around in Miami.
- D) For convenience at weekends.
- 13. A) They are reliable.
- B) They are compact.

- C) They are spacious.
- D) They are easy to drive.
- 14. A) Buy a second-hand car.
- B) Trust her own judgment.
- C) Seek advice from his friend.
- D) Look around before deciding.
- 15. A) He sells new cars.
- B) He can be trusted.
- C) He is starting a business.
- D) He is a successful car dealer.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Many escaped from farms and became wild.
- B) They were actually native to North America.
- C) Many got killed in the wild when searching for food.
- D) They were hunted by Spanish and Russian explorers.
- 17. A) They often make sudden attacks on people.
- B) They break up nature's food supply chain.
- C) They cause much environmental pollution.
- D) They carry a great many diseases.
- 18. A) They lived peacefully with wild pigs.
- B) They ran out of food completely.
- C) They fell victim to eagles.
- D) They reproduced quickly.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) Taste coffee while in outer space.
- B) Roast coffee beans in outer space.
- C) Develop a new strain of coffee bean.
- D) Use a pressurised tank to brew coffee.
- 20. A) They can easily get burned.
- B) They float around in the oven.
- C) They have to be heated to 360°C.

- D) They receive evenly distributed heat.
21. A) They charged a high price for their space-roasted coffee beans.
 B) They set up a branch in Dubai to manufacture coffee roasters.
 C) They collaborated on building the first space coffee machine.
 D) They abandoned the attempt to roast coffee beans in space.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) It is the best time for sightseeing.
 B) A race passes through it annually.
 C) They come to clean the Iditarod Trail.
 D) It is when the villagers choose a queen.
23. A) Its children's baking skills.
 B) Its unique winter scenery.
 C) Its tasty fruit pies.
 D) Its great food variety.
24. A) The contestants.
 B) The entire village.
 C) Jan Newton and her friends.
 D) People from the state of Idaho.
25. A) She owned a restaurant in Idaho.
 B) She married her husband in 1972.
 C) She went to Alaska to compete in a race.
 D) She helped the village to become famous.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

And finally in tonight's news, a 9-year-old boy named Joe, told not to draw in class, wins a job decorating a restaurant with his drawings. Rather than shutting down the habit of drawing in his school's workbook, Joe's parents decided to encourage his creativity by sending their son to an after-school art class. His teacher recognized Joe's talent and posted all his work online, which led to something pretty wonderful. A restaurant named "Number 4" in Newcastle contacted Joe's teacher to ask if the 9-year-old could come and decorate its dining-room with his drawings. Every day after school, Joe's dad drives him to the restaurant so he can put his ideas straight on the wall. Once he's all done, the work will remain there permanently. Joe's dad said Joe is a really talented little boy. He's excellent at school. He's great at football. But drawing is definitely what he is most passionate about.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What did Joe's parents decide to do?

2. What did the restaurant "Number 4" do?

News Report 2 □□□□

Kirsteen Marshall, a 34-year-old mum of one, posted a tearful video on social media Wednesday, begging for the safe return of her beloved pet dog. After combing through the security video outside a Gorbals shop, Kirsteen has now posted an image of a man suspected of stealing the dog. The image appears to show a man carrying the dog in his arms. Kirsteen also believes the video obtained from the shop shows the dog being stolen by a man before driving off in a car which had been waiting nearby. The family is now offering a 5,000-pounds reward for the safe return of the dog after launching a social media campaign to find the thief. The dog is six and a half years old and was last seen wearing a red collar. Kirsteen said: "We'll pay that to anyone who brings him home as long as they are not responsible for his disappearance." Police are investigating the incident.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What is Kirsteen Marshall trying to do?
4. What does the news report say about Kirsteen Marshall's family?

News Report 3 □□□□□

London's Eggs & Bread cafe offers boiled eggs, toast, jam, and bacon, as well as tea, coffee and orange juice. But at the end of the meal, customers don't have to worry about the bill. Hungry customers can pay whatever amount they can afford to eat at the cafe, or nothing at all. Owner Guy Wilson says his cafe aims to build community, rather than profits. He wants to provide a bridge for people to connect in an area that has been divided by class and wealth by providing affordable breakfasts. The cafe is open in the mornings every day of the year and has two members of staff or supervisors on shift every day. The cafe doesn't use volunteers, but pays its staff to ensure consistency in its service. It doesn't take donations and doesn't want to be seen as a charity. Mr. Wilson says, when people start to know other people around them, they realize they're not that different. And whatever their financial background, or their educational background, most people will have something in common with each other. He says it's important that his cafe can offer his customers security and permanence.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What does Guy Wilson say his cafe aims to do?
6. What does the news report say about Eggs & Bread cafe?
7. What happens when people start to know each other according to Guy Wilson?

Conversation 1 □□□□

M: So what time do you think we should have the party on Saturday?

W: How about inviting people to come at 6:00 p.m.? Then we'll have the

afternoon to prepare food and drink, and stuff like that.

M: Yes, I was thinking that around 6:00 would be good too. What food should we provide?

W: Well, I had thought about baking a cake, and some biscuits. And now I think we should prepare some sandwiches and snacks, and some other kinds of food, so that people can just help themselves, rather than getting everyone to sit down at the table to eat a meal. I think that's a bit too formal. It's better to let people walk around and talk to each other, or sit where they like.

M: Yes, that sounds good. I'll go to the supermarket to get some drinks. I think I might try that big new supermarket on the other side of town and see what they have. I've not been there before. I think we should get some beer and wine, and some fruit juice, and other soft drinks. What do you think?

W: Sounds great. I think those drinks will be enough. And I heard that the new supermarket offers some big discounts to attract customers. So going there should be a great idea. What should we do about music?

M: Maybe we should ask Paul to bring his computer and speakers, so that we can play some music. He has a great collection of different stuff.

W: Yes. All right.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What are the speakers mainly talking about?

9. Why does the woman say it is a good idea to serve foods that guests can help themselves to?

10. What does the woman say about the new supermarket?

11. What does the man suggest they ask Paul to do?

Conversation 2 □□□□

W: I'm thinking of buying a car. I wouldn't need to use it every day, but I think it would be very convenient to have one for the weekends.

M: That's exciting. Would this be your first car?

W: No, I actually owned a car for a little while when I lived in Miami. You see in America, many cities don't have good public transport. So, most people need their own car to get around.

M: I see. So have you got your mind set on a specific model?

W: No, not really. I've heard that German cars are very reliable, but I haven't decided on a specific model yet. I'd also like it to be small so that it's easy to drive in the city.

M: I have a friend who sells second-hand cars. In fact, I think his family owns the business. He's a really nice guy, and he knows a lot about cars. I could give you his phone number if you want, and you could call him and ask him questions.

W: Hmm, that's nice of you, but I don't want to feel obliged to buy one of his cars.

M: Oh no. He's not like that. He's a good friend of mine, and he would never try to pressure you or cheat you.

W: Well, if you trust him, then, I guess it should be OK. To be honest, I could use some help in deciding what type of vehicle would best suit my needs. Speaking to an expert would be a good idea.

M: Exactly. You have nothing to worry about. He's a lovely guy and he'll be happy to help.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. Why does the woman want to have a car?
13. What does the woman say about German cars?
14. What does the man recommend the woman do?
15. What do we learn about the man's friend from the conversation?

Passage 1 □□□□

Pigs are not native to North America. They were first introduced to California by Spanish and Russian explorers and settlers many centuries ago. In the early times, pigs were allowed to wander freely in search of food. This practice also allowed many pigs to escape from farms and live in the wild, which became a problem. In fact, as one of the most damaging invasive species on the continent, wild pigs cause millions of dollars in crop damage yearly. They also harbor dozens of diseases that threaten both humans and farm animals. Forest patches with wild pigs have been found to have considerably reduced plant and animal diversity. In addition to either eating other animals or their food supply, wild pigs damage native habitats by rooting up grasses and rubbing on trees. Their activities may also create opportunities for invasive plants to colonize these areas. Wild pigs will eat almost anything containing calories. Mice, deer, birds, snakes and frogs are among their victims. They can also harm other wild species through indirect competition, rather than eating them or shrinking their food supply. On one particular United States island, wild pigs themselves became an attractive food source for a species of mainland eagle. The eagles began breeding on the island and also feeding on a species of native fox. The foxes were almost wiped out completely.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What do we learn about early pigs in North America?
17. Why are wild pigs a threat to humans?
18. What does the passage say about the native foxes on a U.S. island?

Passage 2 □□□□□

A pair of entrepreneurs are planning to build and launch a spacecraft that would carry and roast coffee beans in outer space. The craft will use the heat of re-entry to roast coffee beans, as they float inside it in a pressurized tank. The effect would be to roast the beans all over, and produce perfect coffee. The businessmen say that on Earth, beans can easily break apart and get burned in the roaster. But if gravity is removed, the beans float around in a heated oven, received 360 degrees of evenly distributed heat and roast to

near perfection. The spacecraft will reach a height of around 200km. The beans would then be roasted in the heat generated by the craft's 20-minute reentry into Earth's atmosphere. Temperatures in the pressurized tank will be kept to around 200°C. Once back on Earth, the planet's first space roasted beans would be used to make coffee that would be sold for the first time in Dubai. This is where the pair's company is based. It is not clear how much they would charge for a cup. Surprisingly, the Space Roaster concept - should it go ahead - will not be the first attempt to take coffee into space. In 2015, two Italian companies, collaborated on the construction of a similar type of spacecraft, which was the first coffee machine designed for use in space.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What are a pair of entrepreneurs planning to do?
20. What does the passage say about coffee beans roasted on earth?
21. What did the two Italian companies do in 2015?

Passage 3 □□□□□□□□

In cold and snowy Alaska, there's a village called Takotna. It has a population of mere 49 souls. Each March, this tiny village swells up in numbers, because it is located in the middle of a race that takes place every year. It is a seven-day race called the Iditarod Trail and participants stop at Takotna for their obligatory 24-hour rest. Lucky for them, Takotna is famous for its delicious fruit pies. Weeks before the competitors arrive, the residents of Takotna start preparing for what is without question their biggest event of the year. The whole village chips in to help, including the kids, who end up developing their baking skills at an early age. The exhausted and hungry racers are greeted with delightful pies of all kinds, such as apple, orange, lemon, or banana. They consume the pies as stomach warming race fuel. The toughness of the race allows for racers to eat pretty much whatever they want. The more calories, the better. Takotna has gained a reputation for its dessert-based hospitality since the 1970s. It started with one person, Jane Newton. Jan moved from Idaho with her husband in 1972 and opened a restaurant. Her rich and filling-fruit pies quickly got the racers' attention, and the village gained some fame as a result. Proud residents then started to refer to Jan as Queen of Takotna.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. Why do a lot of people come to the village of Takotna every March?
23. What is the village of Takotna famous for?
24. Who comes to help with the event of the year?
25. What does the passage say about Jane Newton?

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Section A

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Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) See the Pope.
B) Go to Newcastle.
C) Travel to Germany.
D) Tour an Italian city.
2. A) He was taken to hospital in an ambulance.
B) His car hit a sign and was badly damaged.
C) His GPS system went out of order.
D) He ended up in the wrong place.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) Scotland will reach the national target in carbon emissions reduction ahead of schedule.
B) Glasgow City Council has made a deal with ScottishPower on carbon emissions.
C) Glasgow has pledged to take the lead in reducing carbon emissions in the UK.
D) First Minister Nicola Sturgeon urged ScottishPower to reduce carbon emissions.
4. A) Glasgow needs to invest in new technologies to reach its goal.
B) Glasgow is going to explore new sources of renewable energy.
C) Stricter regulation is needed in transforming Glasgow's economy.
D) It's necessary to create more low-emission zones as soon as possible.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) It donates money to overpopulated animal shelters.
B) It permits employees to bring cats into their office.

- C) It gives 5,000 yen to employees who keep pet cats.
- D) It allows workers to do whatever their hearts desire.
- 6. A) Keep cats off the street.
- B) Rescue homeless cats.
- C) Volunteer to help in animal shelters.
- D) Contribute to a fund for cat protection.
- 7. A) It has contributed tremendously to the firm's fame.
- B) It has helped a lot to improve animals' well-being.
- C) It has led some other companies to follow suit.
- D) It has resulted in damage to office equipment.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) Find out where Jimmy is.
- B) Borrow money from Jimmy.
- C) Make friends with Jimmy.
- D) Ask Jimmy what is to be done.
- 9. A) He was unsure what kind of fellow Jimmy was.
- B) He was working on a study project with Jimmy.
- C) He wanted to make a sincere apology to Jimmy.
- D) He wanted to invite her to join in a study project.
- 10. A) He got a ticket for speeding.
- B) He got his car badly damaged.
- C) He was involved in a traffic accident.
- D) He had an operation for his injury.
- 11. A) He needed to make some donation to charity.
- B) He found the 60 pounds in his pocket missing.
- C) He wanted to buy a gift for his mother's birthday.
- D) He wanted to conceal something from his parents.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) Shopping delivery.
- B) Shopping online.

- C) Where he goes shopping.
- D) How often he does shopping.
- 13. A) Searching in the aisles.
- B) Dealing with the traffic.
- C) Driving too long a distance.
- D) Getting one's car parked.
- 14. A) The after-sales service.
- B) The replacement policy.
- C) The quality of food products.
- D) The damage to the packaging.
- 15. A) It saves money.
- B) It offers more choice.
- C) It increases the joy of shopping.
- D) It is less time-consuming.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) They have little talent for learning math.
- B) They need medical help for math anxiety.
- C) They need extra help to catch up in the math class.
- D) They have strong negative emotions towards math.
- 17. A) It will gradually pass away without teachers' help.
- B) It affects low performing children only.
- C) It is related to a child's low intelligence.
- D) It exists mostly among children from poor families.
- 18. A) Most of them have average to strong math ability.
- B) Most of them get timely help from their teachers.
- C) They will regain confidence with counselling.
- D) They are mostly secondary school students.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) Social media addiction is a threat to our health.
- B) Too many people are addicted to smartphones.
- C) Addiction to computer games is a disease.

- D) Computer games can be rather addictive.
- 20. A) They prioritize their favored activity over what they should do.
- B) They do their favored activity whenever and wherever possible.
- C) They are unaware of the damage their behavior is doing to them.
- D) They are unable to get rid of their addiction without professional help.
- 21. A) It may be less damaging than previously believed.
- B) There will never be agreement on its harm to people.
- C) It may prove to be beneficial to developing creativity.
- D) There is not enough evidence to classify it as a disease.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. A) They are relatively uniform in color and design.
- B) They appear more formal than other passports.
- C) They are a shade of red bordering on brown.
- D) They vary in color from country to country.
- 23. A) They must endure wear and tear.
- B) They must be of the same size.
- C) They must be made from a rare material.
- D) They must follow some common standards.
- 24. A) They look more traditional.
- B) They look more official.
- C) They are favored by airlines.
- D) They are easily identifiable.
- 25. A) For beauty.
- B) For variety.
- C) For visibility.
- D) For security.



News Report 1 □□□□□□□□

An 81-year-old man ended up in Germany by accident after trying to get from Newcastle, Great Britain, to Rome, Italy. The old age pensioner was on a mission to see the Pope, who is head of the Catholic Church, and decided to make his way there by car. He was surprised when his GPS system told him he had arrived, although there were no signs of any of the famous buildings or architecture. The man parked but didn't put on the handbrake of his car properly. His car rolled backwards, and in a striking display of irony, hit a sign saying "Rom" - the small town in North Germany - he had mistakenly plugged into the GPS system. Police said that the car had come to a halt after hitting the sign, but did not appear to be seriously damaged, although an ambulance

was called to check on the pensioner. The man, who lives in the UK and is originally Italian, might have been confused by the fact that Rome is written "Roma" in Italian and "Rom" in German.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What did the old age pensioner plan to do?
2. What finally happened to the old man?

News Report 2 □□□□□□□□□□

Glasgow has pledged to become the first carbon neutral city in the UK. The city's council and ScottishPower have announced a range of strategies in an attempt to reduce carbon emissions ahead of the new national target of 2045. First Minister Nicola Sturgeon welcomed the pledge and said, "Today's announcement between ScottishPower and Glasgow City Council - to make Glasgow the UK's first net-zero city - is a very welcome step. Reaching our goals will need exactly this kind of partnership approach - with government, business, local authorities and citizens all plying their part." Speaking ahead of the All Energy Conference being held in Glasgow, ScottishPower chief executive Keith Anderson said: "We have a large supply of renewable energy on our doorstep and one of the only two low emission zones in action across the UK. Now, we need to invest in the technologies and programs that transform the rest of Glasgow's economy and make us net zero before anyone else."

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What do we learn from the news report?
4. What did ScottishPower's chief executive say ahead of the All Energy Conference?

News Report 3 □□□□□

A Japanese IT firm has officially introduced an "office cat" policy to combat the stressful environment of the workplace. A total of nine furry friends freely wander around in the office and do whatever their little hearts desire. Hidenobu Fukuda, who heads the firm, introduced the pet policy, upon request from one of his employees, allowing staff to bring their own cats to work. Employee Eri Ito is grateful for their animals' comforting ways. "Cats are sleeping just beside us. It's healing." she said. Not only does Fukuda encourage bringing cats to the job, but he also encourages his employees to rescue cats from overpopulated shelters or streets. He gives 5,000 yen, about 45 US dollars, a month to those who rescue a cat. While the positives are many, there are still some obstacles. "Sometimes a cat will walk on a phone and cut off the call, or they shut down the computers by walking onto the off switch." Ito says. Still, cats in the workplace have been a tremendous success for the company. The policy has led to various other companies doing the same.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What do we learn from the news report about the Japanese IT firm?
6. What does Fukuda encourage his employees to do?
7. What does the news report say about the firm's policy?

Conversation 1 □□□□□

M: Has Jimmy been coming in lately?

W: No, I haven't seen him around. Why? Has he been causing any trouble?

M: Not that I know of. But I need to see him, because my friends and I lent him some money last month. We haven't heard from him since. I heard he comes here a lot, so I thought I'd come in and check with you.

W: Well, that's funny. Some other fellow came in asking for Jimmy just yesterday, a real nervous, pushy type of fellow, saying he needed Jimmy for some study project they were working on. But I can't quite remember what it was all about. Is this a lot of money we're talking about here?

M: No, just 60 pounds between the three of us, but still a bit too much to just let go. He told us he'd got into an accident. Nothing serious, mind you, but he damaged someone's car and wanted to get some money together to make up for the damage he'd caused.

W: Hmm, isn't that sort of thing usually covered by insurance? And then, if you still wanted to give money as some sort of apology or something, he probably shouldn't have to go around borrowing it from people.

M: You think Jimmy's just making it all up? See, I did think it was a bit weird for him to be asking for money for that sort of thing. And his story was a bit vague to begin with. But I thought maybe he doesn't want his parents to know about what happened. So, he'd rather come to us and keep things quiet. Anyway, Jimmy is a good guy, so we didn't make a fuss about it.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. What does the man want to do?
9. What do we learn about the man who came to see the woman yesterday?
10. What did Jimmy say happen to him one day?
11. Why did Jimmy borrow money according to the man?

Conversation 2 □□□□□□

W: Hi, Max. How are you? Listen, I wanted to ask you about ordering shopping online. I've never done it before and I know that you've been doing it for ages.

Max: Sure, I love getting my shopping delivered. It makes life so much simpler - no carrying heavy shopping bags in the rain, or trying to park the car on those huge supermarket car parks then not being able to find it again after you come out of the shops.

W: But there must be some problems. I mean, how do you know that you won't get bad fruit, or that the eggs won't be broken?

M: Oh, come on. The food is exactly the same as the stuff you buy in a conventional shop. They aren't going to deliver you food that is out of date. And if you get a broken egg, well, that could happen in a conventional shop,

too. If anything is really wrong, you can just take photographs of the damage, and they will give you the money back or replace the item.

W: How about delivery fees? Is it not more expensive to get everything delivered?

M: I actually found that it was cheaper for me, as I live quite far away from my local supermarket. So with the deliveries, I'm actually saving on petrol.

W: I've never thought of that. If you aren't driving your own car, then you are saving on fuel. Right, you've convinced me. I'm going to go on the computer now and give it a try. So, which supermarket do you think is the best to order from?

M: Oh, no. That's definitely up to you. Otherwise, we'll be here all day.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What did the woman want to ask Max about?
13. What does the man think is a problem with shopping in supermarkets?
14. What is the woman's concern about shopping online?
15. What does the man find about shopping online?

Passage 1 □□□□

A recent study found that 10 percent of British children suffer from math anxiety. This means they have overwhelming negative emotions towards the subject, ranging from rage to despair. Other emotions triggered by math include feelings of tension and frustration. Physical symptoms include a racing heart or struggling to catch breath. The phenomenon of math anxiety is characterized as a general sense of feeling that the subject is hard compared with other subjects leading to a subsequent lack or loss of confidence. Researchers said they investigated individuals' attitudes towards mathematics because of what could be referred to as a mathematics crisis in the UK. There's a widespread misunderstanding that only low performing children suffer from math anxiety. People automatically assume children are anxious about math because they are poor achievers. In fact, more than three quarters of children with high levels of math anxiety are normal to high achievers. Probably their math anxiety will go unnoticed because their performance is good. But in the long term their performance is negatively affected. So the real danger here is that children who will completely be able to do math at a normal level may keep away from it because they feel anxious. Math anxiety can severely disrupt students' performance in the subject in both primary and secondary school. But importantly - and surprisingly - this new study suggests that the majority of students experiencing math anxiety have normal to high math ability.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What did a recent study find about some British children?
17. What is the widespread misunderstanding about math anxiety?
18. What does the passage say about British students with math anxiety?

Passage 2 □□□□□□□□

People spend a lot of time using phones and computers. Much of that time is devoted to text messages and social media. But many people choose to spend their time playing computer games. For years, parents and teachers have worried that these games might be addictive. And now, the World Health Organization has recognized addiction to computer games as a disease. The organization explains that this decision reflects general agreement among experts around the world that some people have a problem with these games. They show a pattern of behavior characterized by a lack of control. Such people make computer games a priority over their responsibilities. They may play games instead of attending school, or work, or socializing. According to the World Health Organization experts, people's use of computer games is different from their use of the Internet, social media and online shopping. These experts claim there is not sufficient data to indicate that people's reliance on those other activities is an addiction. But they argue that playing computer games to access is different. This behavior can become a disorder. To meet the new definition for addiction, the behavior must damage a person's relationships or performance at school or work, and this must last for at least a year. Still not all behavior experts agree. Some argue that there's not enough research on the subject. Thus, they claim it is too early to call computer game addiction a disorder.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What conclusion has the World Health Organization come to recently?
20. What is said of people with addictive behavior?
21. What do some behavior experts think of addiction to computer games?

Passage 3 □□

Maybe you carry the most powerful passport in the world, or perhaps the rarest passport. Whatever the case, your passport will likely be one of four colors: red, blue, green or black, although there are slight variations. Switzerland's passport is dark red, for example, while most European countries prefer a shade of red. That's almost brown. There are no official rules regarding passport colors, but countries follow a certain set of norms when designing them. The International Civil Aviation Organization, which works to define the principles of air travel, suggests that countries use a suitable type, size and style for official documents like passports. There are also a few compulsory aspects of passports. They must be made from a material that bends. They should be able to be read by a machine at temperatures ranging from 10 degrees Celsius to 50 degrees Celsius, under the conditions where the air can be extremely dry or moist. Despite these existing recommendations, there is nothing regarding the cover color. Why? Simply put, countries stick to darker and more conservative colors because they appear more official. And they can also hide dirt and wear. While there's

little innovation when it comes to passport cover color, the same cannot be said for the pages. The passports of many countries can take images of their well-known geographical features and wildlife, which also function as security features as some are only visible under a special light.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. What do we learn about most European passports?
23. What does the passage say about the design of passports?
24. Why are dark colors chosen for passport covers?
25. What is one special function of the images inside many passports?

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Section A

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Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) It found a pet dog on board a plane to a city in Texas.
B) It had one of its cargo planes land at a wrong airport.
C) It sent two dogs to the wrong destinations.
D) It had two of its domestic flights mixed up.
2. A) Correct their mistake as soon as possible.
B) Give the two pets a physical checkup.
C) Hire a charter jet to bring the pets back.
D) Send another plane to continue the flight.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) She weighs 130 kilograms.
B) She has had babies before.
C) She was brought from Africa.
D) She has a big family of six.
4. A) It took 22 hours.
B) It had some complications.
C) It was smooth.
D) It was monitored by Dr. Sue Tygielski.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) It enjoyed great popularity.
B) It started business three years ago.
C) It was frequented by newly-weds.
D) It was built above the sea-water.
6. A) Expand his business on the beach.
B) Replace the restaurant's wooden deck.

- C) Post a picture of his restaurant online.
- D) Celebrate his silver wedding anniversary.
- 7. A) She sold it for two thousand dollars.
- B) She took it to the restaurant manager.
- C) She posted its picture on Facebook.
- D) She returned it to its owner right away.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) The number of ducks has declined sharply in recent years.
- B) Climate change has little effect on the lives of wild ducks.
- C) Duck meat is not eaten in Australia, Canada and the U.S.
- D) Duck hunting remains legal in many parts of the world.
- 9. A) Droughts.
- B) Bushfires.
- C) Farming.
- D) Hunting.
- 10. A) They are not easy to domesticate.
- B) Their meat is not that popular.
- C) It is not environmentally friendly.
- D) It is not considered cost-effective.
- 11. A) They hunted ducks as a traditional sport.
- B) They killed wild ducks and geese for food.
- C) They raised ducks and geese for their eggs.
- D) They poisoned wild ducks in large numbers.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) Have her house repainted.
- B) Replace some of her old furniture.
- C) Move into a newly-painted house.
- D) Calculate the cost of the paint job.
- 13. A) How long the work will take.
- B) How much the work will cost.

- C) How the paint job is to be done.
- D) How many workers are needed.
- 14. A) Cover up her furniture.
- B) Ask some friends for help.
- C) Stay somewhere else.
- D) Oversee the work herself.
- 15. A) She could have asked a friend for help with the paint job.
- B) Painting a house involves more trouble than she thought.
- C) She should have repainted her house much earlier.
- D) Moving her furniture is harder than the paint job.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) To cultivate good habits.
- B) To prepare for secondary school.
- C) To review what is learned in class.
- D) To stimulate interest in learning.
- 17. A) Discuss their academic achievements with them.
- B) Create an ideal study environment for them.
- C) Allow them to learn independently.
- D) Check their homework promptly.
- 18. A) Finish them before they get tired.
- B) Tackle the most difficult task first.
- C) Start with something they enjoy.
- D) Focus on the most important ones.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) Workers who meet its body weight standards.
- B) Workers who can lose 30 pounds in a year.
- C) Workers who try the hardest to lose weight.
- D) Workers who are in the top 10% of the slimmest.
- 20. A) Impractical.
- B) Inconsistent.
- C) Unmanageable.

- D) Unfair.
21. A) Offer them much fatter bonuses.
B) Improve working environment.
C) Encourage healthy behaviors.
D) Provide free lunch and snacks.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) It has not done enough to help left-handed children.
B) It has treated left-handed children as being disabled.
C) It has not built facilities specially for the left-handed.
D) It has ignored campaigns on behalf of the left-handed.
23. A) They are as intelligent as other children.
B) They have a distinctive style of handwriting.
C) They sometimes have psychological problems.
D) They tend to have more difficulties in learning.
24. A) Punish teachers discriminating against left-handed students.
B) Lay more emphasis on improving children's mental health.
C) Encourage students to develop various professional skills.
D) Keep track of left-handed children's school performance.
25. A) How they can be reduced in number.
B) Why their numbers are so high.
C) What percentage they account for.
D) If their percentage keeps increasing.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

United Airlines has apologized for mistakenly shipping an American family's pet dog in the wrong direction to Japan. The dog owner's beloved 10-year-old dog named Buddy, took an unexpected 16-hour flight to Tokyo following a mix-up by the airline. The dog owner's family are currently in the process of moving. They were meant to be reunited with the pet in their new home city in Texas. But, when they arrived at the United Airlines cargo facility in the southern US state, they found a stranger's dog waiting in Buddy's place. Both of the dogs had been sent to the wrong destinations on connecting flights from Denver, with Buddy mistakenly being sent to Japan instead. Buddy was given a physical check-up when he arrived at Tokyo's International Airport. The dog was then sent back to the US on a private chartered jet. "I'm so glad he's alive and coming home soon," said the relieved dog owner. "An error occurred during the connections in Denver. We have notified our customers that their pets arrived safely. We will arrange to return the pets to them as

soon as possible," a spokesperson of United Airlines said.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What does the news report say about United Airlines?
2. What did the spokesperson for United Airlines say they would do after the incident?

News Report 2 □□□□□□

Officials at Reid Park Zoo in Tucson, Arizona, are celebrating the birth of a baby elephant. Zoo officials say the baby was born on Monday. It is a female, and she weighs nearly 130 kilograms. Semba, her mother is a 30-year-old African elephant. The pregnancy lasted 22 months. Officials describe the baby elephant as healthy, standing and nursing. The baby hasn't been given a name yet. Semba has given birth before. Zoo officials said during this pregnancy, she was closely monitored through physical exams and blood tests. Doctor Sue Tygielsky is the zoo's director of the zoological operations. She said the elephant's birth went smoothly and, that there were no complications. The new baby expands the zoo's elephant herd to six. That includes the baby's parents, a sister, a brother, and an adult female.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What do we learn about the mother elephant Semba?
4. What does the report say about the birth of the new baby elephant?

News Report 3 □□□□□□

Three years ago, a couple was enjoying a meal at a beach restaurant. The restaurant was built on a wooden structure above the sea water. During the meal, the man's wedding ring slipped off his finger. It fell through the wooden floorboards apparently lost forever. Recently, the restaurant manager Ron Krivoy decided to replace the wooden deck, and he found an old gold coin, some \$100 bills and a silver wedding ring while replacing the deck. The restaurant's waitress, Sasha F Mecca posted a picture of the ring on Facebook. The post was shared about 5,000 times. 3 days later, the happy wife called to claim the ring. She even tested pictures of her and her husband eating there in 2017 as proof. The restaurant mailed the ring back to the happy couple. Meanwhile, Krivoy discovered that the gold coin was very rare. It was from 1855 and worth as much as \$2,000.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What do we learn about the restaurant?
6. What did the restaurant manager decide to do recently?
7. What did the waitress do about the recovered ring?

Conversation 1 □□□□□□

W: I can't believe that duck hunting is still legal in so many parts of the world. The scientific evidence from countries like Australia, Canada, and the USA clearly indicates a decline in the birds' numbers.

M: But can anyone be sure if the decline is really caused by the hunting or by climate change?

W: It's caused by both in fact. We see more droughts in countries like Australia. Ducks are birds that feed and breed in areas where there is a lot of water, but their habitats have been shrinking in recent decades because of the droughts.

M: And I guess with fewer places to inhabit, they concentrate in greater numbers in few areas, which surely makes them easier targets for the hunters.

W: It does. My grandfather was a duck hunter. He told me hunting ducks and geese began in the 19th century. They were easily found and plentifully available food source in farming areas, especially for poor immigrants.

M: What do they use for hunting during that period?

W: They use new types of guns, and birds could easily be shot down in flight, and in such great numbers that commercial hunting of ducks and geese became an industry. Yet, there's no commercial farming of these birds nowadays. Their meat is hardly eaten in western countries.

M: No, duck hunting seemingly exists as the continuation of a tradition.

W: Well, ducks have never been popular with farmers like my grandfather anyway because they sometimes destroy crops. In fact, farmers used to poison them in large numbers.

M: That somehow doesn't surprise me. Nobody places much value on the lives of these poor birds or on their meat.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the passage you have just heard.

8. What does the woman find unbelievable?

9. What does the woman say has caused the shrinking of ducks' habitats in Australia?

10. Why is there no commercial farming of ducks and geese in western countries?

11. What does the woman say about farmers in her grandfather's time?

Conversation 2 □□□□□

M: Okay, Miss Bright. I finished calculating. I estimate you have between 210 and 240 square meters of walls and ceiling.

W: So how much would the paint job cost?

M: That would depend on the quality of paint you choose. We carry two brands - one cost 60 cents every square meter, and the other 90 cents. The second is guaranteed to look great for about 10 years, whereas the cheaper one will start to dull after around 6 or 7 years.

W: In that case, we would prefer the more expensive option.

M: All right, then. So including labor costs, taxes, and everything, this job would come to \$3,000.

W: Emm, to be perfectly honest, that's more than I expected.

M: Please bear in mind that the price includes moving all the furniture, and

the whole task would take 2 days.

W: Really? Why?

M: Well, we can't paint the walls without clearing all the furniture first. So every time we paint a room, we first have to move the furniture to another room. So that takes more time. Plus, it requires two people, which works out more expensive.

W: I see. But does that mean I could not live here in my own house during those 2 days?

M: That is correct.

W: Oh well, that changes everything I'm afraid. I would have to stay with a friend or check into a hotel. I hadn't considered any of that. I'm starting to realize that painting my house is far more troublesome than I had anticipated.

M: This is usually the case. Most of our clients go through the same realization.

W: I see.

M: You have my number. Please feel free to call me for any further questions.

W: Thank you.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. What is the woman planning to do?

13. What is the woman's chief concern?

14. What does the woman have to do while the paint job is being done?

15. What has the woman come to realize at the end of the conversation?

Passage 1 □□□□□

Homework is an important part of schooling, but the purposes of giving children homework will change as they grow older. At the primary level, the main aim is to cultivate good habits, like learning to plan and exercising self discipline. During the secondary school years, extending what is learned at school is positively related to academic achievement. So the content of homework becomes more important. So how can you help your child do their best? Creating an ideal working environment will make it easier for them to get down to their assignments quickly. Make sure it's free of distractions. And for primary school children at least somewhere near you. So you can answer questions and offer encouragement. You probably have to help younger children plan their session. But it's important that by the end of primary school, it's second nature get them to tell you everything they have to do, then encourage them to establish an order in which they do work. When there are several different assignments, make sure they begin with one they enjoy. So it seems easy to get started. It's best to take on the most difficult task second. Once they're settled, but before they get tired, if older children have more than an hour of homework, encourage them to schedule a short break to stretch. If you encourage them to tell you what they've learned, they'll absorb the information more deeply and remember it more readily.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What is the main aim of homework for primary school kids?
17. What does the passage suggest parents do to help their children?
18. What should children do to deal with multiple assignments?

Passage 2 □□□□□

Workers at Mexican Oil Company will receive a health incentive of almost \$300 a year if they meet certain body weight standards. To qualify for the bonus, they must maintain a healthy weight. For those who are overweight or obese, they can receive the bonus if they reduce their weight by 10% during the year. Some applaud the policy as fair, because it rewards both individuals who maintain a healthy weight and those who are working towards achieving it. But critics say the policy contradicts recommendations by many health experts who warned that a person's weight is influenced by genetic and environmental factors. That means weight can be hard for individuals to control, which makes the bonus unfair. Some experts say the policy is inconsistent with the science of what we know about body weight regulation. These experts argue that focusing on wage is the wrong approach. A more productive method of encouraging health among employees is to promote healthy behaviors. For example, companies can give workers gym memberships, or encourage participation in lectures on healthy eating and living. They can also reduce sweets and provide healthier snacks in the office and healthier meals at the company canteen. Or they can give employees more time during their lunch break to exercise. These are much better and much more productive ways for companies to move forward on their employees' well being.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. Who will qualify for the bonus in Mexican Oil Company?
20. What do critics think of Mexican Oil Company's bonus policy?
21. What do experts propose companies do about workers' well being?

Passage 3 □□□□□□□□□□□□□□

Campaigners have warned that the British government is not doing enough to prevent left-handed pupils from falling behind their peers. They claim that thousands of children are still being penalized for being left-handed. This is due to a lack of action from ministers who failed to take any meaningful action for years. It is feared that a failure to address early year challenges such as poor handwriting is too much more serious problems down the line with these pupils facing reduced career prospects. Studies in recent years show that left-handed children are more likely to suffer with learning difficulties, and their scores are lower on IQ tests. Campaigners feel it's strange that children and British schools are penalized because they happen to be left-handed. They don't understand why successive governments have failed to act on this. They want the Department of Education to record which children are left-handed

and what their educational attainments are since they make up some 10% of the population. In early year education, left-handed children are struggling and making a mess of their handwriting. Educators don't know how to deal with this. In many cases, there's no active help and a lack of teacher training. Campaigners point out that a high percentage of the prison population is left-handed. They say that these prison numbers are unusually high and ask why it is the case.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. Why are some people criticizing the British government?
- 23. What do studies in recent years show about left-handed children?
- 24. What do the campaigners demand the Department of Education do?
- 25. What do the campaigners want to know about left-handed prisoners?

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Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. A) She was pierced by a chicken bone.
B) She was coughing all the time.
C) She suffered from lung cancer.
D) She suffered from shock.
2. A) By eating chicken soup daily.
B) Through regular exercising.
C) Through a surgical operation.
D) By using traditional Chinese medicine.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. A) It was born 13 years ago.
B) It was Alice Gray's lovely pet.
C) It got injured in a big bushfire.
D) It ran away into a nearby forest.
4. A) They rebuilt the fencing around their farm.
B) They spent seven years replanting their farm.
C) They claimed damages for their heavy losses.
D) They installed a camera to monitor sheep activity.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. A) The disappearance of some gold and diamonds.
B) The transfer of tons of precious metal by air.
C) The crash of a Russian cargo airplane.
D) The loss of gold from an airplane.
6. A) It made an emergency landing.
B) It informed the local police at once.

- C) It contacted the goldmine company.
- D) It had a crew member fix the problem.
- 7. A) They will cooperate with the police.
- B) They had checked the plane carefully.
- C) They will be questioned by the police.
- D) They took some gold bars and diamonds.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversations and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question. You must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 8. A) For the company's records.
- B) For future training purposes.
- C) To follow the company's rule.
- D) To ensure information security.
- 9. A) To check her customer reference number.
- B) To inquire about the price of office chairs.
- C) To get her money back for the returned chair.
- D) To make complaints about its customer service.
- 10. A) She had to update its information.
- B) She forgot where she had left it.
- C) She lost it about three days ago.
- D) She was issued a new card.
- 11. A) Reconsider her options for payment methods.
- B) Make a specific note on the company's system.
- C) Update her bank card details on the company's website.
- D) Upload her personal information to the company's website.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

- 12. A) He is feeling exhausted.
- B) He is tired of cooking.
- C) He has to work late.
- D) He wants to try Asian foods.
- 13. A) Book a table.
- B) Order a delivery.

- C) Download a menu.
- D) Locate a restaurant.
- 14. A) It is not tasty.
- B) It is not healthy.
- C) It is too oily.
- D) It is too spicy.
- 15. A) She is too concerned about money.
- B) She is too weight-conscious.
- C) She is too picky about food.
- D) She is too eager to please.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 16. A) Owners' personalities affect their cats' behaviour and wellbeing.
- B) Parents' personalities can affect the personalities of their children.
- C) Parents and cat owners alike experience high levels of anxiety.
- D) More and more people are treating pet cats like their children.
- 17. A) Give their pets behavioural training.
- B) Provide their pets with the best care.
- C) Know their pets' feelings and desires.
- D) Interact with their pets in novel ways.
- 18. A) More convincing explanation.
- B) More extensive sampling.
- C) Collection of more data.
- D) Further investigation.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 19. A) People should do more running than mere walking.
- B) Running is the best exercise for extending one's life.
- C) People should exercise at least 60 minutes every day.
- D) Running is the easiest form of exercise for most people.
- 20. A) Improving their brain function.
- B) Regulating their breathing rate.
- C) Slowing down their ageing process.

- D) Accelerating their blood circulation.
21. A) They found it easy to control their emotions.
 B) They struggled to handle negative emotions.
 C) They were more eager to enjoy a movie.
 D) They were less affected by sad movies.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) He is a tour guide.
 B) He is a famous architect.
 C) He is local entrepreneur.
 D) He is the owner of the Hill House.
23. A) He studied the blueprints of other famous buildings.
 B) He inquired about his client's family background.
 C) He observed his client's life and habits.
 D) He took a tour of his client's old home.
24. A) A house made of timber and brick.
 B) A house with a lot of free space.
 C) A house of the current fashion.
 D) A house of a unique design.
25. A) They are well preserved and in pretty good shape.
 B) They are copies built to the architect's designs.
 C) They were designed by another architect.
 D) They were badly damaged but restored.



News Report 1 □□□□□□

A 22-year-old Chinese woman who suffered from a persistent cough was shocked to learn that she had a piece of chicken bone lodged in her lung. The unnamed woman from the province of Shandong started have coughing problems when she was 7 or 8 years old. For 14 years, she made numerous hospital visits. However, no doctor could identify any problem. Her uncontrollable coughing was a mystery. Finally, the woman got a full body scan at a hospital in the city of Qingdao. This special medical procedure revealed she had a chicken bone stuck in her lung. Doctors performed surgery and removed the bone. The simple procedure went smoothly and the woman has recovered fully with the bone finally removed from her lung, the woman is very happy that she no longer suffers from that annoying cough.

Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

1. What was the woman's problem?
2. How was the woman's problem eventually solved?

News Report 2 □□□□□□

A white sheep named Prickles that ran away from an Australian farm during the 2013 bush fires recently returned home. According to farmer Alice Gray, Prickles was only a lamb when she ran away. The bush fires that hit the area back then destroyed a large part of her family's massive property. They thought Prickles had died in the fire. But instead, the young sheep escaped into a 200-acre forest near the farm. Once the fires were over, the family had to fix the damage done to the farm as it was such a large property, which included rebuilding about 40 kilometers of fencing. It was this huge fencing that prevented Prickles from finding her way back. Over the years, the family spotted her a few times. They even recorded her with cameras installed to monitor the activity. But when they knew Prickles was alive, they couldn't find her and never expected her to return by herself. Seven years later, they were proven wrong.

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

3. What does the news say about the white sheep Prickles?
4. What the family do after the bush fires?

News Report 3 □□□□□□□□

Tons of gold have fallen out of the sky in Russia after a cargo plane malfunctioned in midair this morning. The aircraft was carrying 265 million pounds worth of gold and diamonds, when the door flew open, sending the precious metal back to earth. According to the official news agency, Russian authorities have recovered more than 170 gold bars weighing 20 kilograms each. The plane was traveling from Yakutsk airport in a major diamond producing region to the city Krasnoyarsk in Siberia. However, the aircraft made an emergency landing in Magan after began losing some of its valuable cargo. Reports suggest some bars of gold were scattered up to fifteen miles away from the airport. Nine tons of gold on plane AN12 belonged to a gold mine company. Police have sealed off the runway and say it is unclear if it was an accident or an attempted robbery. Technical engineers who worked on the plane prior to takeoff are reportedly going to be questioned by the police.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

5. What is the news report mainly about?
6. What did the aircraft do when the incident happened?
7. What does the news report say about the technical engineers who worked on the plane before takeoff?

Conversation 1 □□□□

Michel: Hello, you're through to customer service. This is Michael speaking. Before we continue, I just want to make you aware that this call is being recorded and may be used in the future for training purposes. What can I help you with today?

Seiman: Hi, my name is Jean Seiman. I recently bought an office chair from your company, but I returned it about a week ago. I'm just calling to inquire when I will be able to get my money back. It says on your website that your company will pay back the money within three working days of you receiving the returned item. But it's been five working days and I haven't received anything.

M: I'm sorry to hear that, Miss Seiman. What's your customer reference number, please?

S: It's 389460.

M: Okay, 389460. I'm just looking on the system here. And according to our records, the chair you returned was received by our warehouse on Friday morning. The payment was made on Wednesday. But this seems to be a problem with your card number.

S: My card number? Oh, maybe it has something to do with my new card. It was sent to me on Tuesday. Maybe the bank canceled my old one before you've made the payment.

M: Well, you'll need to update your card details directly on our website. Just make sure you're logged in. And then under the description of your personal information, you should see an option for updating payment methods.

S: I am logged in, and I'll give that a go.

M: I'll make a note here on the system for you, so that the payment will be made tomorrow morning.

S: Thank you very much.

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

8. Why does the man have his conversation with the woman recorded?

9. What is the woman's purpose of calling the furniture company?

10. What does the woman say about her bank card?

11. What does the man advise the woman to do?

Conversation 2 □□□□□

M: I'm getting a bit hungry.

W: Yes, me too. I'm starving. Are you going to prepare a meal for us?

M: No, sorry, I'm actually pretty worn out. Let's just go out somewhere close to eat.

W: Well I think we should stay in and save some cash. Can we get a meal delivered?

M: Yeah, great. I'll use that food delivery app on my phone. What do you want, fried chicken, hamburgers, or fish and chips?

W: Oh, can we stay away from the junk food? How about something healthy?

M: Okay, well, there's a place that does salads.

W: Let me have a look at that. Yeah, that looks delicious. But to be honest, I'd prefer something hot, not cold.

M: How about Indian food?

W: That's not the kind of hot I mean. I'm just not a fan of sauces. That made

me sweat and cry. I need something mild.

M: Okay. So would you consider Mexican? Oh no, sorry. There's also very hot pepper in that. Would you like some Italian food, perhaps? It's a bit heavy, but it's great food for a cold night like this.

W: Pizza? Spaghetti with creamy Sauce? I know it's really tasty and great comfort food, but it's too fattening for me. I'm trying to keep a slim figure, you know.

M: Oh, you're really difficult to please. Well, there's a nice Chinese restaurant that delivers.

W: Yes. I love Chinese food. Let me see. Oh, it's 15 kilometers away.

M: That's a bit too far away. Do you feel like Vietnamese food then?

W: Yeah, awesome. It's healthy, and we can afford it.

M: Great. Let's order Vietnamese right away.

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

12. Why isn't the man going to cook?

13. What does the man say he'll do on his phone?

14. What does the woman think of Indian food?

15. What does the man think of the woman?

Passage 1 □□□□□□□□□□

A new study carried out by the university of Lincoln has found a link between the personalities of cat owners and the behavior and wellbeing of their cats. The findings suggest that just as apparent personality can affect the personality of a child, the same is true for a cat and its owner. Owners defined as individuals with high levels of anxiety, fear, anger, depression and loneliness were more likely to have cats with behavioral issues. Such cats display more aggressive and anxious behavioral styles as well as more stress related sickness. They will also more likely to have an ongoing medical condition and be overweight. The research also found that mentally well-adjusted owners had come from happier and healthier cats. Researchers explained that many owners regard their pets as a family member and form close social bonds with them. The majority of owners want to provide the best care for their pets and is therefore possible that pets could be affected by the way their owners interact with and manage them. The study highlights an important relationship between our personalities and the well-being of our pets. Further research is needed to investigate the cause of nature of this relationship and look at how owners' personalities are directly influencing their pet's behavior and well-being. It is possible that the well-being of pets is driven by the underlying nature of the owner not simply by their conscious decisions and behaviors.

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

16. What do we learn from the new study by the University of Lincoln?

17. What does the passage say most pet owners want to do?

18. What does the passage say it's still needed to understand the effects of owners' personalities on their pets?

Passage 2 □□□□□

One 50-minute run can add seven hours to your life. This was a claim made by The Times last week. The claim was based on a new review of studies about the effects of running. The review concluded that an average runners live three years longer than non-runners and that running does more to extend life than any other form of exercise. But there's more to running than its health benefits. Research published in recent years have shown that running changes your brain and mind in some fascinating ways from increasing your brain function to regulating your emotions. However, the precise effects vary according to whether you engage in short fast running or long distance running. For example, in one study, researchers compared participants' ability to learn new words after several minutes of intense running, and after 40 minutes of gentle running, participants were able to learn 20 percent faster after the intense running and they showed a superior memory when tested again a week later. In another study, researchers asked volunteers to jog for 30 minutes and then showed them clips from a sad movie. Participants who usually struggled to handle negative emotions were more intensely affected by the sad clips just as you'd expect. But crucially, this was less so if they had completed the 30 minutes jog. The researchers said moderate exercise appears to have helped those participants to be less vulnerable to the impact of the sad movie.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. What did the new review of studies claim?

20. What is one effect that running has on people according to recent research?

21. What did another study find about the participant after they had a 30 minutes jog?

Passage 3 □/□□□□

Welcome to the tour of the Hill House. This house built in 1904 is one of the most well-known works of Charles Hill, the famous architect. It was designed and built for local entrepreneur and his family. Before starting the tour, let me give you a brief introduction about the design of this amazing building. Prior to beginning his design, the architect spends sometime in the client's old home, observing their life and studying their habits. This meant that he could design the house according to the needs of the family. The client's main desire was to have a home with unique design, so the architect was given complete freedom. The building style is radically different from what was the fashion of the period. At the time, most large homes were constructed of timber and brick. This one, however, is made of concrete, a novel construction material in those days. The interior of the house, including the fittings and furniture, was

also designed by the same person. Most of the furniture you will see is original and in good condition. However, those pieces in the children's bedrooms are copies built to the designs of the architect. Fortunately, all the blueprints for both the building and its contents have been preserved, so we've been able to replace badly damaged furniture. Let's begin our tour, starting from the rooms.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 22. What do we learn about the speaker?
- 23. What did the architect do before beginning his design?
- 24. What did the architect's client mainly want?
- 25. What do we learn about the pieces of furniture in the children's bedrooms?



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